



# WELCOME TO NORTH DEVON COLLEGE

SCHOOL LEAVERS' COURSE GUIDE  
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# WELCOME TO NORTH DEVON COLLEGE

Thank you for taking the time to explore our guide. It's designed to give you everything you need to begin your journey with confidence, whether you're a prospective student, parent, guardian or carer. We look forward to helping you achieve your ambitions.

Choosing the 'right' next step can feel daunting. If you understand what your passions are, what you're good at and what sparks your interest, these are good places to start. Those are usually the subjects you should consider for your next step.

Following our merger with Exeter College, North Devon College is stronger than ever. We are now part of the biggest tertiary college group in the country, and our own passion lies in unlocking the potential of students across the whole of the region.

We offer a large range of courses to help bring out the best, whatever the pathway, and expand student options for further study, higher education and employment.

Studying at college goes beyond qualifications. As well as being part of an academic community, each student has a tutor group with a personal tutor, and is encouraged to get involved in Extra – a programme of trips, guest speakers, sports, clubs, academies and societies – for opportunities that help enrich your future.

Alongside our courses we offer travel assistance, bursaries, additional learning help and teams dedicated to removing barriers to learning, so you can focus on your education.

We're making significant changes across the college, with new developments to campus facilities, including a major upgrade to our Sports Facilities, Construction and Trades workshops and a new A Level and Arts building on the way.

Every year, we look forward to seeing the achievements of our students, and we welcome you too to learn more about what's possible at North Devon College.

# WHY STUDY AT NORTH DEVON COLLEGE?



## GREAT RESULTS

Many of our students excel in their studies and progress to top universities, higher-level apprenticeships and down inspiring career paths.



## EXCEPTIONAL FACILITIES

We offer a range of modern, professional and industry- relevant tech, equipment and facilities.

This includes a fully equipped Animal Centre, Science Labs, Music and Performing Arts Studios, a Theatre, Podcast Room and venues that all provide hands-on help with specialist equipment.

Our commercial Hair and Beauty Salons, the Taw Restaurant and spacious trade workshops for Motor Vehicle, Engineering, and Construction Trades help students build skills in real world environments.



6 One of the best things about studying at college is the wide range of opportunities and experiences available through the course. The college has given me the chance to develop my skills, build my confidence, and take part in experiences that have really enhanced my learning.

*Kimmy, T Level Education & Childcare*



## OUR VALUES

**Ambition, Collaboration and Energy** are integral to everything we do – informing all our decisions and actions across the college. We encourage our students to discover what these values mean to them, and how you can embody them when studying to achieve your goals.



## SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

We take the time to develop, challenge and support our young people to achieve the best outcomes. Each student will access strong academic tutoring and develop other interests through our enrichment programme – full of new experiences and educational opportunities.

We offer support when making decisions on careers, finances, childcare and accessibility so that all of our students can excel in your own way and make the most of your time at college

# WHICH LEVEL IS RIGHT FOR YOU

If you're not sure where to start, this table explains what each level involves, how to successfully enrol, and where your choices can take you.

| COURSE TYPE                                | WHAT IT IS                                                                                                                                                                | ENTRY REQUIREMENTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | WHAT NEXT                                                                    |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A Levels                                   | Three A Levels (or two A Levels with a BTEC Certificate). The academic route to university and higher apprenticeships.                                                    | Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English Language and Maths. Some subjects have additional requirements so check individual course pages.                                                                                               | University, higher apprenticeship, or employment.                            |
| T Levels                                   | Two-year technical qualifications with a 315-hour industry placement. Most T Levels are equivalent to three A Levels.                                                     | Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English Language and Maths. Students progressing from a Level 2 course need a completed Level 2 qualification plus GCSE English Language and Maths at grade 4 or above. Some require science at grade 5. | University, higher apprenticeship, or employment.                            |
| Level 3 Vocational and Technical Full Time | Diplomas, BTECs and vocational qualifications across a wide range of subjects. Practical, industry-focused, and recognised by universities and employers.                 | Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English Language and Maths, or a completed Level 2 qualification with GCSE English Language and Maths at grade 4 or above.                                                                              | University, higher apprenticeship, or employment.                            |
| Level 2                                    | Build real subject knowledge and preparation for Level 3, an apprenticeship or employment.                                                                                | Five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language or a Level 1 qualification at merit grade.                                                                                                                                   | Full-time Level 3 vocational course, T Level, apprenticeship, or employment. |
| Level 1                                    | Hands-on courses across a range of industries. A strong focus on employability, independence and practical skills to help you move into work or to Level 2.               | Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language.                                                                                                                                                                             | Vocational or technical Level 2 course or an apprenticeship.                 |
| Entry Level                                | The first step into college learning. Focused on building confidence, independence and practical skills, with personalised goals and continued Maths and English support. | No formal qualifications required.                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Level 1 study programme.                                                     |

\*\* If you've haven't achieved Grade 4 in Maths and English Language before you join us, that's okay for some courses, but you might need to continue working towards this alongside your studies.

| CURRENT GCSE GRADES |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |   |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|
| U                   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8  | 9 |
| U                   | G | F | E | D | C | B | A | A* |   |
| OLD GCSE GRADES     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |   |



# WHICH COURSE IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

## A LEVELS

You'll study three subjects in depth over two years, starting with AS Levels in year one, assessed mostly by exam. A Levels suit students who enjoy subject-led, independent learning and want a well-established route to university.

A Level students will enjoy a varied programme of study including enrichment programmes, and some of our learners will have the opportunity to apply to our Reach Academy, which offers university partnerships and career-focused development for high-achieving students.

**See page 20 for all our A Level courses.**

## APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships are an ambitious pathway to employment that allows you to earn a wage while working towards a recognised qualification. You'll spend 80% of your time with an employer and 20% in training at college. Your assessment includes workplace observations, tests and portfolio evidence. Most apprenticeships take around 18 months to complete, with higher and degree level options available afterwards.

**See page 40 for all our apprenticeships.**

## T LEVELS

A T Level is a two-year technical qualification equivalent to three A Levels. Around 80% of your time is spent in college with the remaining 20% at a structured industry placement with a real employer, for at least 315 hours (45 days in total).

T Levels are designed with employers, so the skills you develop are directly relevant to the job market. You can progress to university, an apprenticeship or employment on completion.

**See page 42 for all our T Level courses.**

## VOCATIONAL COURSES

Vocational courses combine classroom learning with practical, hands-on experience. Assessment is through assignments, coursework, and exams.

Available at Levels 1, 2 and 3, they cover a wide range of industries and lead to university courses, apprenticeships or employment.

Employers generally request Level 3 qualifications as a minimum for entry level roles, so we encourage all students to progress to this level in their chosen subject area.

**See page 44 for all our vocational courses.**





# CAMPUS AND FACILITIES



## SPACES TO STUDY

### Learning Resource Centre

The LRC is your first port of call for any book, resource or tool you might need to support your learning. This is a quiet area with computers and plenty of desk space to work.

### A Level Common Room

A quiet study and social space, including pods for collaborative and individual study

### Student Social Space

For Level 3 students, this is an open study suite for collaborative learning with separate pods for group and presentation work.

### Boardroom

A communal hang out and study space for students in the centre of the college campus.



## SPACES TO RELAX

### Food Hall

The main meeting and eating venue at the college, with a selection of hot food available every day from 8am – 2pm.

### Liberty Centre Cafe

Run by our Supported Learners, serving a changing lunch menu and homemade cakes made fresh every day.

### Outdoor Seating

On sunny days, you can relax in our **BRAND NEW** outdoor eating and study area.

### Quiet Study Areas

These can be found and accessed through each faculty area.





# MORE THAN A QUALIFICATION

Your course is your core focus while at North Devon College, but it doesn't make up the whole picture. Alongside your main qualification, every student gets a structured programme of support and development designed to build the skills universities and employers are actually looking for.

## EXTRA

Extra offers a wide range of extracurricular activities to take part in while studying – giving the chance to make friends, learn new skills, develop existing interests and build confidence.

Our enrichment programme includes a variety of academies, sports academies, clubs and societies, all designed to help you explore new interests, challenge yourself and build on your passions.

There is also a wide range of clubs and groups to choose from, or if you're keen to get involved behind the scenes, you could try DJing on Fresh FM – our college radio station.

For T Level and vocational students, structured industry placements go even further, with significant time spent working directly in industry as part of your course.

Alongside that, you'll continue to have Maths and English support if needed, regular one-to-one time with your tutor, and enrichment activities that broaden your experience.

Alongside these opportunities, Learner Voice plays a key role in shaping your college experience. It ensures that students have a genuine say in how they learn and the opportunities available to them. By sharing ideas, feedback and suggestions, students help the college understand what works best and where improvements can be made.

You can even take on a leadership role as a Tutor Rep, gathering feedback from your peers and working with staff to make a real difference. It's a great way to build confidence, develop communication skills, and actively shape the environment around you.

**Find out more on our website.**







Sport is a big part of life at North Devon College, helping students build confidence, support wellbeing, improve focus, and develop the teamwork, resilience and leadership skills valued by employers and universities.

Whether you're an experienced athlete or simply keen to get involved, there's an academy for you. Current options include Rugby, Football and Netball.

You'll train with experienced coaches, meet like-minded teammates, and have the chance to go to pre-season training, competitive fixtures and performance development, all alongside your studies.

For students competing at a high level, our Talented Athlete Programme provides additional support to help you balance your sporting ambitions with your studies.

This includes:

- A tailored performance pathway
- Academic flexibility and administrative support
- Access to high-quality coaching and facilities
- Potential scholarships, bursaries and funding for travel, kit and competition fees



Visit our website for full details.





## YOUR STUDENT SERVICES AND LEARNING SUPPORT

It's an exciting step, moving from school to college – full of new opportunities, friendships, and experiences. At North Devon College we offer a safe, inclusive, and welcoming environment to help you make the adjustment. Our kind staff, expert tutors, and dedicated support teams are here for your wellbeing, to help you feel as confident and capable as you can be. Your college journey is yours alone and a stepping stone to your future. We're here to help you make it everything it can be.

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## ACCESSIBILITY

At North Devon College, we've removed barriers so you can focus on learning, growing, and making the most of your college experience. Our campus is inclusive and accessible, with ramps, lifts and wheelchair-friendly facilities throughout. We also use assistive technology across all curriculum areas to support different learning needs, and together, we'll create a plan to make sure you have the tools, strategies, and resources that work best for you.

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## ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT

Our experienced teams are here to help with any specific learning needs or disabilities you may have, offering a person-centred approach that puts you at the heart of your journey. If you have an Education, Health, and Care Plan (EHCP), our specialist teams will work closely with you to coordinate tailored support.

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## CAREERS SUPPORT

Our dedicated careers specialist offers independent, impartial advice via one-to-one appointments and can help you take the next step in your career. This includes guidance with career planning; course and subject choices, post-course options, finding apprenticeships, choosing the right university, writing a UCAS personal statement, and supporting you with job searches, applications and interview preparation.







**I started at college doing 3 A Levels but as I studied, I really struggled with the exam side of things and had a hard time studying due to my mental health and ASD diagnosis. I worked with the safeguarding and support and guidance teams who recommended a BTEC course and after joining the Public Services course, I felt so much more confident in myself.**

*Charlotte, Public Services*



## CHILDCARE SUPPORT

'Care to Learn' is a government-run scheme for students requiring childcare support and who are under 20 years old at the start of their course. This initiative provides financial assistance to eligible students to help cover the costs associated with childcare services, enabling them to pursue their academic goals.

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Education is free for all students who are aged 16-18 (on 31 August of the year you start your course). There may be additional costs for books or travel, but please don't let money stop you from coming to college. We're here for every learner, so if you need financial assistance to cover the costs of studying or travel, we may be able to help. Look for more details about the Bursary Fund or bus passes on our [website](#), or call and speak to our friendly **Travel & Bursary Team** for more information.

## SAFEGUARDING & WELLBEING

The protection, safety, health, wellbeing and welfare of all learners is of the greatest importance to North Devon College. We follow the statutory guidance to safeguard and promote the welfare and wellbeing of all our young people. Using a 'whole college approach', we ensure that all staff are trained in Safeguarding and Child Protection and in preventing radicalisation. The college also provides a comprehensive wellbeing and welfare service to students. This includes support for housing, finances, and the physical and emotional safety, wellbeing and welfare of our learners, all of which can impact a student's ability to study. North Devon College is an open and inclusive college that values diversity and prides itself on zero tolerance towards discrimination of any kind. Our commitment is that every student at North Devon College will have the support and tools needed to achieve their fullest potential in both their personal and educational journey.



## SUSTAINABILITY

North Devon College is passionate about tackling the climate emergency and our aims and objectives are set out in our Strategy: Towards 2025. We have a responsibility to ensure that the college – both staff and students – are committed to environmental sustainability in Devon and beyond. We are continually striving to improve all areas at our campuses, including recycling and waste, travel, energy use and procurement, and we actively encourage all staff and students to join us to help protect the environment and preserve resources. We are proud to hold a Planet Mark certificate, are members of the Plastic Free North Devon consortium, and in 2019, signed up to support the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

## YOUNG ADULT CARERS

If you care for a family member who has a disability, a long-term serious illness, or a substance misuse problem, you may be eligible as a young adult carer. North Devon College is committed to helping young adult carers throughout college. We understand that looking after a loved one while being a student can be challenging, so we provide one-to-one personal and academic support, advice and guidance, a quiet space to make urgent phone calls, referrals to local services, and support from our Wellbeing Team.

## TRAVEL

Our college site is on good bus routes and walking distance from the train station with cycle shelters. Whether you plan to travel to North Devon College by bus, bike, or foot, we can help you with routes, passes and permits. We encourage active and sustainable travel wherever possible.

**Find out more information on bus routes [here](#).**



## YOUR NEXT STEPS

If you don't know what's next, that's normal. Most of our students don't have it all mapped out. What matters is that you don't have to figure it out alone.

Whether you're heading to university, into an apprenticeship, straight into work, or onto another course at North Devon College, our Careers Team is here to help you decide what's right for you. They offer impartial, one-to-one advice and run regular sessions throughout the year with employers, universities, apprenticeship providers and other organisations, so you can explore your options, ask real questions, and make an informed choice.

**Whatever you decide, we'll make sure you're prepared.**





# SIX STEPS INTO NORTH DEVON COLLEGE

## HOW TO APPLY

1

### BROWSE AND EXPLORE

Visit our website to explore courses and find the right option for you. You can also use this guide – see pages 20-107 for course listings and pages 6-7 to find your level. Or come to one of our open events to explore the campus and talk to lecturers: **Wednesday 7 October, Tuesday 1 December and Wednesday 3 March.**

2

### APPLY ONLINE

It's straightforward, and you'll get an acknowledgement of your application via email. Use your personal email address, not your school one, as you'll lose access to your school email once you leave. If you have any questions, contact our Admissions Team on **01271 852443**.

3

### COME TO AN INTERVIEW

We'll invite you for a conversation with your course lecturer to talk through your chosen course or apprenticeship, your predicted grades and any questions you have. It's straightforward, just a chance to make sure the course is the right fit.

4

### RECEIVE A CONDITIONAL OFFER

After your interview you'll be offered a conditional place, subject to achieving the entry requirements, or finding an employer if you're applying for an apprenticeship.

5

### RESULTS DAY

If your results are what you expected, we will look forward to welcoming you at your enrolment event. If things didn't go to plan, contact us and we'll talk through your options.

6

### ENROLMENT

We'll contact you in early August about your enrolment appointment at an enrolment event where we'll get you set up with your student account, ID card and timetable. Try not to book any family holidays for this time. This may look different if you're applying for an apprenticeship.





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



## CHOOSING YOUR NEXT STEP

### Can someone help me decide what course to take?

Yes. Our College Advice Team can talk you through your options, come and meet you at school and help you apply. Our open events are also a great way to explore the campus, meet lecturers and get a feel for what's available.

### Can I come and look around?

Yes. We run open events throughout the autumn and spring terms. If you'd prefer a quieter private tour, our College Advice team can arrange that too.

### Can I apply to more than one college?

Yes. We'd always encourage you to visit a few places and get a feel for what suits you.

### Where can I find out more?

Visit our website or contact our College Advice Team.



## APPLYING & INTERVIEWS

### When do applications open?

October, and we accept applications throughout the year for a September start. We'd recommend applying as early as you can so that your interview happens before GCSE revision kicks in.

### Can I apply for more than one course?

No.

### What happens if I change my mind after applying?

Just get in touch and we'll update your application to the course you want.

### Do I have to have an interview?

Yes, but it's not an exam. It's a conversation with your lecturer about your interests, plans and goals, to make sure the course is the right fit.





## STARTING COLLEGE

### What if my GCSE results are lower than what I needed?

Don't panic. Upload your results on results day and we'll be in touch to talk through your options. We'll help you find the right route.

### When does college start?

September. We'll confirm your start date and send everything you need before you arrive.

### When do I get my timetable?

During enrolment at the end of August.

### How many days a week will I be in college?

It varies by course. Most run over three to four days. You'll be able to discuss this at your interview.

### How many students will be in my class?

Around 20, depending on the course.

### Can I change course once I've started?

Our aim is to ensure you are on the right course to start with, however, if you are not enjoying it, speak to your tutor as soon as possible.



## SUPPORT, TRAVEL & FINANCE

### What support is available if I have additional needs, a learning difficulty or mental health needs?

If you have an EHCP, our specialist mentors will work with your school or home setting to make sure the transition is smooth. Our Additional Learning Support, SEND, Wellbeing and Safeguarding Teams work closely with schools, families and individual students, both before you start and throughout your time at North Devon College.

### Is financial support available?

A bursary fund is available for students from low-income families, covering costs including bus passes, equipment, books, trips and residentials.

### How do I get to college?

We are well served by bus routes, and we have on-site car parking and cycle shelters. Find out more about travel options on our website.





# WHAT DOES A TYPICAL WEEK LOOK LIKE?

No two timetables are exactly the same, but every student enjoys a varied week of lessons, independent study, tutorials and enrichment. To help you see how college differs from school, we've created three example timetables showing what a typical week might look like for an A Level, T Level, and Technical Full-Time student.

## A LEVELS

|                  | 9:00 - 10:15 | 10:15 - 10:30 | 10:30 - 11:45 | 11:45 - 12:00 | 12:00 - 1:15   | 1:15 - 1:45  | 1:45 - 3:00 | 3:00 - 3:15 | 3:15 - 4:30          |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Study Period |               | Subject 2     |               | Study Period   | Lunch        | Subject 1   |             | Sport Training       |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Subject 2    |               | Study Period  | Lunch         | Year 1 1:1     | Year 1 Tutor | Subject 1   |             | Subject 3            |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Study Period |               | Study Period  |               | Extra / Extend | Lunch        | Subject 3   |             | Sport Fixtures / EPO |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Subject 2    |               | Subject 3     |               | Study Period   | Lunch        | Subject 1   |             | Study Period         |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Subject 3    |               | Study Period  |               | Study Period   | Lunch        | Subject 1   |             | Subject 2            |

## T LEVELS

|                  | 9:00 - 10:15       | 10:15 - 10:30 | 10:30 - 11:45 | 11:45 - 12:00 | 12:00 - 1:15   | 1:15 - 1:45 | 1:45 - 3:00  | 3:00 - 3:15 | 3:15 - 4:30  |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Lesson             |               | Lesson        |               | Lesson         | Lunch       | Lesson       |             | Lesson       |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Lesson             |               | Lesson        |               | Group Tutorial | Lunch       | Study period |             | Lesson       |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Industry placement |               |               |               |                |             |              |             |              |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Lesson             |               | Lesson        |               | Lesson         | Lunch       | Tutor 1:1    |             | Study Period |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Lesson             |               | Lesson        |               | Study Period   | Lunch       | Study Period |             | Study Period |



## TECHNICAL FULL TIME PROGRAMMES

|                  | 9:00 - 10:15                     | 10:15 - 10:30 | 10:30 - 11:45                    | 11:45 - 12:00 | 12:00 - 1:15                  | 1:15 - 1:45 | 1:45 - 3:00    | 3:00 - 3:15 | 3:15 - 4:30                      |
|------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Lesson                           |               | Lesson                           |               | Lesson                        | Lunch       | Group Tutorial |             | Study period                     |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Study period                     |               | Lesson                           |               | Lesson                        | Lunch       | Lesson         |             | Tutor 1:1                        |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Lesson                           |               | Lesson                           |               | Lesson                        | Lunch       | Study Period   |             | Study Period                     |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Study period                     |               | Lesson                           |               | Study period                  | Lunch       | Lesson         |             | Lesson                           |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Work Experience/<br>Study period |               | Work Experience/<br>Study period |               | Work Experience/ Study period |             |                |             | Work Experience/<br>Study period |





# A LEVELS



## WHAT ARE A LEVELS?

A Levels are a fantastic next step if you've enjoyed and excelled at certain subjects at GCSE and want to continue exploring them in more detail – especially if you're considering university in the future. North Devon College offers a wide range of familiar subjects, including extras such as Law, Psychology, Economics and Environmental Science. A Levels are advanced academic qualifications that open doors to many university courses, apprenticeships, and career paths. Even if you're still exploring your future options, choosing A Levels keeps those pathways open. Studying A Levels at North Devon College offers a more academic style of learning, perfect if you enjoy classroom-based study and want to develop strong research experience, critical thinking, and independent learning skills. These are the qualities that top universities and employers are looking for. If you're curious, ambitious, and eager to push your potential, A Levels could be the right fit for you.

## TAKE YOUR A LEVELS FURTHER

At North Devon College, your A Level experience is about more than just great teaching and top results, you'll also have opportunities to enrich and broaden your subject learning through mentoring, field trip and overseas travel.

## EXTEND

Our Extend programme promotes learning beyond the classroom with over 20 subjects available such as Criminology, International Relations and Medic Academy. Extend is carefully designed to deepen your subject knowledge, sharpen critical thinking, and develop the academic confidence needed for progression to leading universities, including University of Cambridge and University of Oxford.

## EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION (EPQ)

Alongside your A Levels, you can complete an Extended Project Qualification (EPQ). This is your opportunity to explore a subject you're truly passionate about in real depth – developing advanced research, writing, and project management skills while producing a substantial, independent piece of work. Highly valued by top universities, the EPQ strengthens applications and demonstrates the intellectual curiosity and self-motivation expected at the most competitive institutions.

## REACH ACADEMY

If you're aiming for a top university and competitive career, Reach Academy is designed for high-achieving students looking to push themselves further. It goes beyond the classroom to build your confidence, ambition and curiosity, helping you stand out and succeed at the highest level. You'll take part in a residential trip, hear from inspiring guest speakers, connect with professionals through e-mentoring, and get expert support with your university applications, all while rising to challenges and being part of something exceptional. The Reach Academy offers a unique opportunity for individuals, with a select number of places available. We warmly encourage all applicants to embrace the challenge of our ambitious and rewarding selection process.

## EXCEL

The Excel programme equips second-year students for examinations by identifying and addressing academic gaps through targeted collaboration with tutors, delivered in scheduled sessions within a dedicated environment.

## CHOOSING YOUR A LEVELS

Most students choose three A Levels or a mix of two A Levels and a vocational option such as BTEC Sport. In some cases, high-achieving students may be able to study four A Levels. Choosing the right subjects is a big step towards shaping your future, so take time to explore your options and think ahead. Here are some key things to consider:

**FOLLOW YOUR INTERESTS:** Consider which subjects you enjoy and do well in at school. If you're passionate about a subject or already achieving strong grades, you're more likely to succeed and stay motivated.

**DISCOVER SOMETHING NEW:** Don't be afraid to explore subjects you haven't studied before. Use this prospectus and our website to learn more about what each course involves.

**CHECK ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:** If you already have a career or university course in mind, check if specific subjects or grades are required for entry. Our College Advice Team will help you understand what's needed.

**STAY FLEXIBLE:** It's ok to be unsure about your choices. Pick a balanced combination that keeps your options open for university or next steps.



# ENGLISH & CREATIVE ARTS



## EXPRESS YOUR IDEAS. SHAPE YOUR FUTURE.

If you love telling stories, exploring big ideas, or bringing your creativity to life, an A level in Writing, Media, Art or Design will help you develop the skills, confidence and creative voice to stand out.

Study English Language or English Literature to explore how language, stories and communication shape the world around us. You'll analyse powerful texts, debate ideas, develop your own writing style, and build valuable skills in communication, research and critical thinking – perfect for careers in journalism, publishing, teaching, marketing and digital content.



Or take your creativity further with Art, Craft & Design or Media Studies, where you'll explore everything from fine art and graphic design to film, advertising, social media and popular culture. You'll experiment with creative techniques, develop your own style, and gain hands-on experience through practical, industry-lead projects.

With expert tutors, lively discussions, inspiring creative spaces and opportunities to build a strong portfolio of work, you'll grow in confidence while developing the skills universities and employers are really looking for.

Scan the QR code to discover more.

THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A INTERIOR DESIGNER IS

# £43,668

indeed.com

**This course instantly grabbed my attention – I was excited to learn about advertising, digital media, and creating my own films and music videos.**

*Issy, studying A Level Media, Sociology & Sport*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Graphic Designer
- Media Producer
- Illustrator
- Journalist / Publisher
- Designer (Fashion, Jewellery & Interior)
- Translator / Foreign Correspondent
- Architect
- Teacher





## ART, CRAFT & DESIGN A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you love fashion, photography, architecture or fine art, this A Level will give you the freedom to get hands-on and explore your creativity. From sketching to sculpture in the digital and analogue worlds, you'll explore 2D and 3D materials, developing your own unique style while experimenting across different creative disciplines.

Along the way you'll have the chance to visit galleries and exhibitions for inspiration.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

##### Component 1: Personal investigation

- Discover artists and art movements
- Try out many techniques and materials
- Build a project around your own interests

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Deliver a final project with a short write-up

##### Component 2: Externally-set assignment

- Pick a brief that excites you
- Research, experiment, and refine your ideas

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Deliver a final project

#### PROGRESSION

This course will give you the knowledge and confidence to move on into any creative career.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Grade 6 in GCSE Art or a related subject
- If you're not taking GCSE Art or related subject, you'll need to show a portfolio of work or complete a designated creative project

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Have you ever wondered how babies learn to talk, why accents matter, or whether men and women really speak differently? On this course, you'll explore the fascinating world of language and how it shapes our identity, influences society, and evolves over time. You'll have the chance to get creative, producing your own original writing and conducting an independent language investigation on a topic that interests you.

You will begin this course by studying AS Level content in your first year, building a strong foundation for the full A Level.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Wide range of texts, from social media posts to speeches
- Uncover the hidden techniques that writers and speakers use to engage
- Language and gender
- Accents and dialects
- Child language acquisition
- The history of English

English Language complements subjects like Literature, Psychology, Sociology, Law, and Media, boosting your skills in analysis, communication, and critical thinking, which is essential for university and careers in journalism, education, marketing, and beyond.

#### ASSESSMENTS

- External examinations
- Coursework completed in Year 2

#### PROGRESSION

A Level English Language develops strong analytical and communication skills, supporting progression to a wide range of university courses and careers. It is particularly valuable for roles involving writing, communication, media, education and professional industries where effective use of language is essential.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language

## ENGLISH LITERATURE A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're passionate about reading and want to dive deeper into classic and modern texts, A Level English Literature is a great choice. You'll explore powerful stories, poetry, and plays, sharpening your analytical skills and discovering new ways to interpret the things you read. The first year is AS Level content, which helps build a strong foundation for the full A Level.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

##### Year 1:

- A modern drama text
- A selection of contemporary poetry
- Two novels linked by a shared theme, including a 19th-century and a modern text

##### Year 2:

- A Shakespeare play
- Romantic poetry and its historical context
- Postcolonial literature, explored through coursework
- Unseen poetry analysis and comparison
- Continued study of Year 1 texts for final assessment

Throughout the course, you will also engage in enrichment activities such as theatre trips, guest lectures and literary events.

#### ASSESSMENTS

There is no coursework in Year 1.

In the final year, there are two exams and a coursework submission:

Paper 1: Love through the Ages

Paper 2: Modern Times: Literature from 1945 to the present day. Study of three texts.

Non-exam assessment: an independent critical study of 2,500 words on two texts.

#### PROGRESSION

A Level English Literature is highly regarded by universities and develops strong analytical and writing skills. It provides an excellent foundation for a wide range of degree courses and careers, particularly those involving communication, critical thinking and creativity.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language

## MEDIA STUDIES A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This Media Studies A Level is all about film, music and social media. It allows you to dive into the world behind the screen and analyse how media shapes the way we think, while learning how to create your own content too.

You can expect to develop real, creative and practical production skills while exploring how media products are made, marketed and consumed. The first year will be AS Level content, building the skills and knowledge needed to take the A Level.

In Year 1, you will be introduced to key theories, concepts and media texts, which are explored in greater depth in Year 2.

Lessons are varied and interactive, involving research of both contemporary and historical media and the relevance of that context, representation of different audiences, analysis of media texts, and group discussion.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Media theories: language, representation, audiences, industries, and context
- Analysis of media texts including advertising, music videos, social media, and TV
- Film study using Black Panther and I, Daniel Blake
- AS practical project options include website design, music video, or magazine (print/online)

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Two written exams (70%): Analyse unseen media texts, explore how media represents people and issues, and examine different audiences
- Coursework (30%): Create your own media product from a set brief such as a music video, film marketing campaign or magazine.

#### PROGRESSION

This course provides a strong foundation for university study in Media, Film, Marketing and related subjects. It also supports careers in areas such as television and film production, marketing, public relations, journalism, digital media and education.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language
- Grade 4 or above in GCSE Art is preferable



# MATHS AND SCIENCE



## SOLVE REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS. TRANSFORM LIVES.

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**When I first came here it was more casual than I expected so I felt I could freely discuss things to help improve mine and others understanding. I enjoyed helping others around me with different topics, its a great environment to learn in.**

*Ahmad, studying A Level Biology, Chemistry and Maths*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Aerospace Engineer
- Chemical Engineer
- Conservation Ecologist
- Data Scientist
- Mathematician
- Secondary School Teacher





## BIOLOGY A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Biology shapes our understanding of life – from medical breakthroughs to the natural world around us. This comprehensive course covers genetics, biochemistry, physiology, and gene technology, while developing your practical skills through experiments, fieldwork, and hands-on learning.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

##### Year 1:

- Learn analytical skills in the lab
- Explore cells, molecules, genetics, enzymes, membranes, and transport systems
- Study organism exchange of materials and substances
- Explore biodiversity, evolution, ecosystems, and disease, with a field trip to North Devon's UNESCO biosphere reserve

##### Year 2:

- Energy transfers in and between organisms
- Organism responses to changes in their internal and external environment
- Genetics, populations, evolution and ecosystems
- The control of gene expression

#### ASSESSMENTS

The full A Level has three exams: The first examines module 1, 2, 3 and 5; the second assesses 1, 2, 4 and 6; and the third paper is synoptic and covers all the topics learnt over the two years of the course.

In addition, practical skills are assessed via the practical endorsement. This is reported separately and is internally assessed throughout the two years.

#### PROGRESSION

This course supports progression to university and careers in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science, pharmacy and biomedical sciences, as well as wider careers in health, science and beyond. For more competitive routes, A Level Chemistry is often required alongside Biology.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above
- To include grade 4 in English Language, grade 5 in Maths, grade 6 in Biology and Chemistry or grade 6/6 in Double Science Award

## CHEMISTRY A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is for students who enjoy problem solving and exploring the science behind real-world processes.

By the end you'll have developed a strong understanding of core chemical principles, confidence carrying out investigations and a knowledge of modern laboratories.

You'll be taught through a mix of lectures, practical work, discussions and problem-solving activities, with access to well-equipped laboratories and digital resources. AS Level content in the first year provides a solid foundation to move onto the A Level and for further study.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Physical Chemistry: Atomic structure, bonding, amount of substance, kinetics, equilibrium, redox and electrochemistry
- Organic Chemistry: Hydrocarbons, alcohols, aldehydes, carboxylic acids, amines, polymers, mechanisms and synthesis
- Inorganic Chemistry: Group 2 and 7 elements, Period 3 oxides, transition metals and aqueous ions
- Analytical Chemistry: Isomerism, chemical testing, spectroscopy and chromatography techniques

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Two 90-minute exams in Year 1 and three 120-minute exams in Year 2
- 12 practicals, for which you'll receive a 'Practical Endorsement'

#### PROGRESSION

This course supports progression to university and careers in fields such as chemistry, medicine, engineering, pharmaceuticals and forensic science. The skills developed are also valued in areas including business, finance, IT and law.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language
- To include a grade 4 in English Language, grade 6 in Maths, grade 6 in Chemistry, grade 6 in Biology or Physics or grade 6/6 in Double Science Award, plus four more GCSEs at grade 4 or above

## COMPUTER SCIENCE A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Technology is shaping our future, and you can be a part of that. An A Level in Computer Science gives you the skills to code, solve problems, and delve deep into the power of data. From algorithms to AI, you'll learn how computers work and how to make them work for you.

You'll master programming languages, data representation, and the tech behind digital media. If you love problem-solving and innovation, this course is your launchpad into the world of computing.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

##### Year 1:

- Programming and data structures
- Problem-solving and logic

##### Year 2:

- Algorithms and databases
- Computer systems and networks
- Big data and functional programming

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Coursework: Design, develop and evaluate a solution to a real problem

#### PROGRESSION

This course provides a strong pathway to university study in Computer Science, Mathematics and related disciplines. It also supports a wide range of careers, including software development, cyber security, data science, network engineering, systems design and games development, as well as roles in business, law and technology-driven industries.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language
- To include grade 4 in English Language, grade 6 in Maths, grade 6 in Physics or grade 6 in science
- You are advised to study A Level Maths alongside this A Level, and this is essential to progress to Computer Science at a top university

## ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

We face many environmental challenges today. If you're interested in science, nature, or helping to protect our planet, A Level Environmental Science is the course for you. You'll explore real-world issues like climate change, pollution and how we feed a growing population, building the scientific knowledge to start helping solve global problems.

This course combines biology with geography to look at how humans interact with the environment, and what we can do to safeguard biodiversity and live in a more sustainable way.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Ecosystems and the physical world
- Pollution, water use and natural resources
- Energy and its global impact
- Farming, fishing and forestry

Get hands-on with lab work, local field trips (like Croyde seashore and Paignton Zoo), and an adventure overseas. A past student trip was to Iceland.

#### ASSESSMENTS

- All content is assessed at the end of the two-year course
- Two written examinations taken in June
- No coursework required

#### PROGRESSION

This course is the bedrock to many university routes and can lead to direct employment within organisations such as environmental and conservation agencies. Career opportunities may include roles such as field or laboratory scientist, habitat or land manager, park ranger, education or outreach officer, sustainability officer, or environmental surveyor.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Double Science Award, Maths and English Language



## GEOLOGY A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you have an interest in the physical environment and how our planet functions, this course might be for you. Geology helps us understand some of the most important challenges facing society, including climate change, natural hazards, and the management of resources.

Drawing on elements of Physics, Chemistry and Biology, Geology develops a practical, problem-solving approach alongside strong scientific understanding.

Teaching is delivered through a combination of lectures, practical laboratory work, case studies and small group activities. You will have access to specialist facilities, including a dedicated geology laboratory.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Minerals, rocks and natural resources
- Earth structure and plate tectonics
- Surface and internal processes
- Geological time, change and evolution
- Rock formation and deformation
- Past life and climate change

#### APPLIED THEMES:

- Geohazards
- Geological mapping
- Quaternary geology
- The geological evolution of Britain
- Lithospheric processes

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Written exams
- Practical and fieldwork tasks leading to a 'Practical Endorsement'

#### PROGRESSION

This course provides a strong pathway to university study in Geology, Geophysics and related fields, and supports progression into careers such as geology, seismology, geoengineering and resource exploration.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language
- Grade 4 in Double Science Award

## MATHEMATICS A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Maths is the language of logic, patterns and problem solving. An A level builds on your GCSE knowledge and challenges you to think abstractly and with precision, making use of graphical calculators and digital resources to support your progress. You will begin this course by studying AS Level content in your first year, building a strong foundation for the full A Level, which will be taught through workshops, group lessons and independent study.

It is strongly recommended for those considering university study in a mathematically related subject.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Pure Mathematics: Advanced skills in algebra, geometry, trigonometry and calculus, including differentiation and integration
- Statistics: Analysing and interpreting data, exploring probability, statistical models and hypothesis testing
- Mechanics: Mathematics applied to physical situations, studying motion, forces and Newton's laws

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Three two-hour written examinations at the end of Year 2

#### PROGRESSION

A Level Mathematics is essential for many university courses, including Mathematics, Economics, Computer Science, Physics and Engineering, and supports a wide range of other subjects. It opens up diverse career pathways such as engineering, finance, data analysis, accountancy and technology-related roles.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above
- To include GCSE Maths at grade 6 and English Language at grade 4, Physics at grade 6 in Physics and Double Science award at grade 6/6

## PHYSICS A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

From black holes to quantum particles, A Level Physics takes you deep into the mysteries of matter, energy, and space. It will feed a curious mind and is a good launchpad for careers in science, tech, engineering, medicine, and more. Physics is a challenging and rewarding subject that explores the fundamental principles governing the universe. It plays a key role in many scientific, engineering and technological fields, while also offering insight into some of the most exciting developments in modern science. You will begin this course by studying AS Level content in your first year, building a strong foundation for the full A Level.

Teaching includes a combination of lectures, practical experiments and problem-solving activities. You will have access to well-equipped laboratories to support your learning.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Particles and radiation
- Measurements and uncertainties
- Waves
- Mechanics and materials
- Electricity
- Thermal physics
- Gravitational, electric and magnetic fields
- Nuclear physics

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Two 90-minute exams in Year 1 and three 120-minute exams in Year 2
- 2 practicals, for which you'll receive a 'Practical Endorsement'

You will also study an additional option, such as Astrophysics or Turning Points in Physics.

#### PROGRESSION

This course supports progression to university, apprenticeships or training in Physics, Engineering and related fields. It also provides a strong foundation for careers in areas such as architecture, medicine, computing, geology and beyond, and is highly valued across a wide range of professions.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English Language, and Maths (grade 6).
- Grade 6 in GCSE Physics or Double Award Science.

## BTEC EXTENDED CERTIFICATE IN SPORT

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Whether you want to play or coach, or just love all things sport, this course lets you dive into how the body works, how to train effectively, and what a career in sport could look like.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Anatomy and physiology: How muscles, bones and energy systems power performance
- Practical sports performance: Analyse techniques, tactics and how to improve
- Fitness training: Create training plans, assess health data and recommend ways to boost fitness and wellbeing
- Careers in sport: Build your CV, prep for interviews, and explore real job roles in the sports and fitness industry

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Assignment Work
- Presentations
- 1 to 1 Interview
- Examination

#### PROGRESSION

This course is worth one full A Level and gives you the UCAS points you need for university, apprenticeships, or a career in sport.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language
- Grade 6 in GCSE PE or a grade 6 in a Science



# SOCIAL SCIENCES



## SATISFY YOUR CURIOSITY ABOUT PEOPLE, POWER, THE PLANET OR THE PAST.

Consider the big questions that shape the world around us: how societies function, how leaders rise, how economies grow, and how history continues to influence today. Whether you're into business, geography, economics, history, law, politics, psychology, sociology, or classical civilisation, these subjects are all about exploring the world, challenging ideas and making change.



From tackling real-world issues to understanding how laws are made or how global systems operate, these subjects will give you the tools to shape the future. You'll develop your research, analytical and debating skills, explore topics you're passionate about, and build a strong foundation for university or the world of work. Expect passionate discussion, independent thinking, and plenty of opportunities to dive deeper through our specialist Extend Programme, such as our Law & Politics and Bar Mock/Law Academies, designed to help you grow your skills, your confidence, and your future opportunities.

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**I enjoy talking to my friends about class topics, and I enjoy the variety of lessons. The lecturers are also great at helping with any questions or problems you have.**

*Evie, studying A Level English Language, Sociology, Psychology*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Civil Servant
- HR Officer
- International Aid Worker
- Psychologist
- Paralegal
- Solicitor





## BUSINESS A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Business shapes the way organisations grow and succeed. Studying A Level Business gives you the skills to analyse real-world companies, make smart decisions, and adapt in a changing landscape. From ethical dilemmas to cutting-edge tech, you'll explore what makes businesses thrive in today's fast-changing world. This course is perfect for anyone with a passion for business – whether you love strategy, problem-solving, or understanding how money moves.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Marketing and people
- Managing business activities
- Strategic direction and change
- Data analytics, learning how to interpret ratios and percentages to inform decisions

#### ASSESSMENTS

There are three exams of 2 hours each at the end of your course.

Question papers use a variety of assessment styles including multiple-choice, short answer, data response, essay and case studies so that you feel more confident and engage with the questions. Real-life case studies will be used wherever possible to make it easier for you to relate to.

#### PROGRESSION

A Level Business provides a strong foundation for university study in areas such as Business, Economics, Accountancy, Marketing and Human Resource Management. It also supports progression into a wide range of careers, including finance, management, retail, marketing and roles within the public and voluntary sectors.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language

## CLASSICAL CIVILISATION A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Step into the epic world of Ancient Greece and Rome, learning all about heroes, myths, and power dynamics. If you're interested in mythology, ancient history, or how power systems really work, this course brings the classical world to life – setting you up for university and beyond.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

##### Year 1:

- Journey through Homer's *Odyssey*, full of gods, monsters, and adventure
- Explore Roman politics and meet power players like Julius Caesar and Cicero

##### Year 2:

- Discover how Augustus used art, architecture, and propaganda to control Rome
- Unpick Virgil's *Aeneid* – weighing up its legacy as an epic tale or clever political spin

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Two exams at AS Level and three at A Level (essays and analysis of classical texts)

#### PROGRESSION

Studying Classical Civilisation develops valuable analytical and communication skills and is well regarded by universities and employers. It can lead to a wide range of degree courses and careers, including roles in heritage, education, law, media, research, business and the civil service.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language

## ECONOMICS A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Have you ever wondered how money moves, why prices rise, or what drives big business decisions? Economics is all about understanding the choices we make – as individuals, businesses, or entire countries. From globalisation and migration to marketing and management, this exciting course connects theory to real world challenges, giving you the skills to navigate today's fast-changing world. You will begin this course by studying AS Level content in your first year, building a strong foundation for the full A Level.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

##### Year 1:

- How markets rise and fall, consumer choices, enterprise and the role of banks in our economy

##### Year 2:

- Globalisation, the labour market, government policies and the financial sector's impact on our lives

Economics opens the door to high-paying careers in business, finance, and beyond.

#### ASSESSMENTS

All four themes covered over the two-year course are assessed at the end of the second year by way of three externally assessed examinations, each two hours long.

#### PROGRESSION

Economics provides an excellent foundation for university study in Economics and related subjects such as Business, Social Sciences, History and Engineering. It also supports progression into careers and apprenticeships in areas such as finance, banking, accountancy and consultancy. For entry to the most competitive university courses in Economics, A Level Mathematics is typically

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language at grade 5

## GEOGRAPHY A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're interested in 'real' issues like climate change, global power and human rights, a Geography A Level might be for you.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Globalisation: Who benefits as the world connects
- Coasts: Explore how they change (plus a local field trip)
- Diverse places: Learn how culture, money and people shape our towns
- Water and energy: How to tackle global insecurity and our energy future
- Superpowers: How big players influence the world
- Tectonics: The risk of earthquakes, volcanoes, tsunamis
- Health and human rights: See how conflict, aid and justice shape global development

You'll build real-world skills through fieldwork, data analysis and independent research.

#### ASSESSMENTS

There will be three 2 hour 15 minute exams making up the following marks:

Physical Geography – 30%

Human Geography – 30%

Synoptic Resource Paper – 20%

Plus an independent investigation in the form of a 4000-word report, worth 20%.

#### PROGRESSION

This course provides a strong foundation for progression to university or for careers in areas such as environmental sustainability, hazard and risk management, human development, cartography, data analysis and urban planning.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language



## HISTORY A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

History encourages you to question interpretations, analyse evidence and evaluate influence over time. It's an academically rigorous subject that rewards curiosity, critical thinking and independent study. You will explore a broad range of historical periods, developing an understanding of how events, ideas and individuals have shaped the world across different eras. You'll begin this course by studying AS Level content in your first year, building a strong foundation for the full A Level.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Topics including War of the Roses, Germany from 1918 to 1991, the rise of fascism in Italy, the causes of Cold War
- Develop skills in analysis, interpretation and independent research
- Build clear, structured written arguments using evidence
- Engage in discussion and debate about historical issues
- Benefit from enrichment opportunities such as guest lectures and trips

This subject combines well with Politics, English Literature, Sociology, Law and other Humanities subjects.

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Three exams at the end of two years
- Coursework

#### PROGRESSION

History is highly regarded by universities and provides excellent preparation for degree-level study. It supports a wide range of career pathways, including roles in the civil service, journalism, law, education, heritage and beyond.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language

## LAW A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

A Level Law gives you a strong foundation in one of the most respected career paths – helping you get to grips with how the legal system really works.

Over two years, you'll explore how laws are made, applied, and challenged – and what they mean for real people and society. You'll analyse real-life case studies, sharpen your problem-solving skills, and learn to think like a solicitor or barrister.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- The English Legal System: Discover how courts, judges and trials really operate
- Law and morality: Debate tough topics like euthanasia, abortion and the death penalty
- Substantive law: Dive into criminal, contract and tort law

This course complements subjects such as History, English and Politics, and works well alongside other Humanities and Social Science subjects including Psychology, Geography, Sociology and Languages. Strong reading and recall skills are important due to the volume of case law studied.

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will sit a final exam at the end of Year 2.

Throughout your study, you will be set meaningful assessments linked to the exam. These will take place regularly and your progress can be checked online. At the end of the first year, you will be assessed through mock exams to determine your progress.

#### PROGRESSION

This course provides excellent preparation for a Law degree and other Humanities-related courses. It can lead to further professional training and careers such as solicitor, barrister or legal executive, as well as apprenticeships within the legal sector or careers in current affairs.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language

## POLITICS A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're interested in how institutions, ideologies and democracies shape society, a Politics A Level might be for you. It's a broad and intellectually challenging course that helps you understand how power is distributed within the UK and across the world. You'll explore how political decisions are made, how individuals engage with politics and how political ideologies have shaped modern political thought, alongside the study of international relations and global issues.

You will begin by studying AS Level content in your first year, building a strong foundation for the full A Level.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- The UK political system, including democracy, elections, voting behaviour and political parties
- The UK constitution, parliament, the role of the Prime Minister and the Supreme Court
- Examine key political ideologies such as conservatism, liberalism and socialism
- Investigate global politics, including relationships between states and international organisations
- Engage with real-world politics through opportunities to hear from or interact with local representatives

This course combines well with subjects such as Law, History, Philosophy, Sociology, Geography and Economics.

#### ASSESSMENTS

- Three exams at the end of two years

#### PROGRESSION

A Level Politics is highly regarded by universities and provides a strong foundation for degrees such as Politics, International Relations, History and Law. It can lead to a wide range of careers, including roles in journalism, the civil service, education, social policy, research and the legal sector.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language

## PSYCHOLOGY A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Psychology offers insight into the complexities of human thought, emotion and behaviour. From the mysteries of memory to mental health and criminal behaviour, this subject explores what makes us human. You will begin by studying AS Level content in your first year, building the knowledge and skills needed for the full A Level.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Cognitive Psychology: How memory works and why eyewitnesses get it wrong
- Developmental Psychology: From baby bonds to adult relationships
- Psychopathology: Understanding and treating mental disorders
- Social Psychology: Why we conform, obey or rebel
- Sex and Gender: What shapes identity and behaviour
- Schizophrenia: Causes, symptoms and treatments
- Forensic Psychology: Criminal profiling and preventing reoffending

Expect plenty of debates, experiments and teamwork. By the end, you'll be able to think like a psychologist and be ready for university or careers working with people.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment is mainly through short-answer questions, with several mini-essays across three papers. You will have an opportunity to complete your own practical research projects throughout the course to help develop your understanding of psychological research. The highly structured sessions all include regular assessments to help you to maximise your potential in the subject. All topics are assessed in exams at the end of the course.

#### PROGRESSION

You may progress to university study in Psychology or a range of other Humanities subjects. With further academic study and professional training, this can lead to careers in areas such as education, business, healthcare, as well as roles within law, policing, forensic psychology, criminology and the prison service.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language
- Grade 6 in Biology or Science is also required



## SOCIOLOGY A LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Sociology explores society and human behaviour, examining the social forces that shape how people interact and experience the world. You'll study contemporary social issues, inequality and social change, drawing on ideas from culture, history, politics and psychology to understand everyday behaviour and wider social problems.

A central aspect of the course is learning how sociologists investigate the social world. You will explore a range of research methods, from interviews and questionnaires to large-scale statistical studies, and consider how evidence is used to support or challenge ideas.

You will begin by studying AS Level content in your first year, building a foundation for the full A Level.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Key topics such as identity and culture, education, global development, and crime and deviance
- Explore different sociological perspectives and research methods
- Develop critical thinking and evaluative skills through discussion, reading and research
- Build your ability to analyse and interpret a range of evidence
- Take part in enriching opportunities such as guest speakers, university visits and conferences

This subject combines well with History, Politics, Law, Geography, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Psychology, Economics, Media Studies and English.

#### ASSESSMENTS

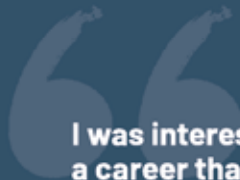
- Three exams at the end of the two years

#### PROGRESSION

The analytical and evaluative skills developed in Sociology will prepare you for university study and a wide range of careers. These include roles in education, business and marketing, health and social care, public services such as policing or local government, and other careers involving research, analysis and problem solving.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Eight GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language



**I was interested in pursuing a career that involved understanding how society receives and processes information, and how this can influence people's opinions and decisions. I felt the subjects I chose were a good fit because they helped me develop my critical thinking, research and communication skills. They also gave me the chance to look at different points of view, analyse information and make informed decisions.**

*Evie, studying A Level English Language, Psychology & Sociology*



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# APPRENTICESHIPS



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## WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

An apprenticeship is a practical route into employment, allowing you to gain real workplace experience while working towards a recognised qualification. You will be employed by a company, earn a wage and develop the skills, knowledge and behaviours needed to succeed in your chosen career.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

Apprenticeships combine on-the-job training with structured study. Typically, you will spend around 80% of your time in the workplace, learning directly from experienced professionals, and 20% in off-the-job training, where you can build the underpinning knowledge that supports your role. This balance ensures you can apply what you learn in real time, developing confidence and competence as you progress.

## WHAT CAN YOU STUDY?

Apprenticeships are available from Level 2 through to higher levels, across a wide range of sectors including construction, engineering, business, childcare and many more. Programmes usually last between one and four years, depending on the level and the requirements of the industry.

## WHO ARE APPRENTICESHIPS FOR?

Apprenticeships are ideal for those who are ready to enter the workplace, take on responsibility and learn in a real-world setting. They suit individuals who prefer a practical approach and want to begin building their career straight away while continuing to gain qualifications.

## WHERE CAN AN APPRENTICESHIP LEAD?

Apprenticeships provide a strong foundation for long-term career development. Many apprentices progress into sustained employment, with a high proportion remaining with their employer on completion. They can also lead to further training, higher apprenticeships or degree-level study, offering clear progression routes without a purely classroom-based pathway.

## HOW TO GET STARTED

To begin an apprenticeship, you need to secure a position with an employer. We recommend starting your search early and exploring opportunities alongside your application to college. Applying for a full-time course as a back-up option is also advised, ensuring you have flexibility while you secure the right opportunity.

**An apprenticeship seemed like the best option because I could learn while working and gain real experience at the same time. North Devon College has been really supportive and has helped me grow both personally and professionally.**

*Oscar, Electrical Installation Apprenticeship*



### LEARN ON THE JOB

Gain real workplace experience.



### EARN A WAGE

Get paid while studying.



### CAREER READY

Progress straight into employment.



# T LEVELS



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## WHAT ARE T LEVELS?

T Levels are high-quality technical qualifications at Level 3, equivalent to A Levels. They are designed to provide a clear route into skilled employment, apprenticeships or higher education by combining academic study with meaningful industry experience. Developed in partnership with employers, T Levels ensure that what you learn reflects current industry practice and prepares you for the demands of the modern workplace.

## WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

Your programme is structured to give you the knowledge and practical skills needed for your chosen sector. Around 80% of your time is spent in college, developing core theory and technical understanding. The remaining 20% is dedicated to an industry placement of at least 45 days, where you will have the chance to apply your learning in a real working environment.

## WHAT MAKES T LEVELS DIFFERENT?

A key feature of T Levels is the extended industry placement. This provides a genuine insight into your chosen career, helping you to build confidence, develop professional behaviours and gain valuable experience that employers recognise. Unlike apprenticeships, which are primarily workplace-based, T Levels offer an approach that puts more emphasis on classroom learning.

## WHO ARE T LEVELS FOR?

T Levels are well suited to students who have completed their GCSEs and want a clear pathway into a specific career area. They are particularly appropriate for those who are motivated, academically capable and keen to apply their learning in a practical context linked to industry.

## WHERE CAN T LEVELS LEAD?

On completion, T Levels open up a range of progression opportunities. You may choose to move directly into employment, progress to a higher level or degree apprenticeship, or continue your studies at university. T Levels carry UCAS tariff points, making them a recognised route to university as well as industry.



**I've always been interested in Engineering, and the T Level seemed like a great way to build my skills while gaining real industry experience. North Devon College felt like the right place to help me achieve that.**

*Phoenix, Engineering  
Manufacturing & Control T Level*



### 45-DAY PLACEMENT

Industry experience built into your course.



### EQUIVALENT TO 3 A LEVELS

A recognised Level 3 qualification.



### PROGRESSION ROUTES

University, apprenticeships or employment.



# VOCATIONAL



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## WHAT ARE VOCATIONAL COURSES?

Vocational courses are designed for students who want to learn through doing. They combine practical, hands-on learning with the underpinning knowledge and theory needed to succeed in a chosen career. Available from Level 1 to Level 3, courses are tailored to suit your starting point and support clear progression as you develop your skills.

Programmes are structured to reflect real industry practice. You will develop technical skills alongside subject knowledge, with a strong focus on applying what you learn to realistic working environments. Most courses include a mix of coursework and external assessment, ensuring you are well prepared for further study and employment.

You will be taught by experienced staff with industry expertise, using specialist facilities that mirror the workplace. These include areas such as automotive workshops, engineering bays, childcare training rooms, animal care centres, professional kitchens and restaurants, hair and beauty salons, and simulated clinical settings. This ensures you gain practical experience that is directly relevant to your chosen sector.

At Level 3, many programmes include work experience or work-related learning, giving you valuable insight into your industry and helping you develop the behaviours and expectations required by employers.

Vocational courses provide a clear route into employment, apprenticeships or higher education. Level 1 and Level 2 programmes typically take one year and allow progression to the next level, while Level 3 programmes are usually studied over two years and are equivalent to A Levels, supporting progression to university or higher-level training.

These courses are ideal if you want to build confidence, gain practical experience and develop the skills needed to succeed in your chosen career.

## ENHANCE YOUR LEARNING WITH ACADEMIES & ENRICHMENT

Alongside your vocational course, you can take part in one of our specialist Academies, Sports Academies and a range of enrichment activities. These are designed to help you explore your subject in more depth, build new skills and strengthen your CV or university application. Whether you're aiming for higher education or heading straight into the workplace, these extra opportunities give you a valuable edge – helping you stand out and feel more confident about your next steps.

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**My course has given me lots of opportunities to explore my options after college. At the start of the year, we visited Marjon and looked into some of their courses, which really helped me think about my next steps. The staff at North Devon College have been really supportive and encouraging throughout my studies, always pushing me to achieve my best.**

*Jessica, Extended Diploma in Sports*



### HANDS-ON LEARNING

Learn through practical projects.



### INDUSTRY FACILITIES

Train using professional equipment.



### CAREER FOCUSED

Develop skills employers value.



# ANIMAL CARE



## LOVE ANIMALS? TURN THAT PASSION INTO YOUR FUTURE.

North Devon College's Animal Care & Conservation courses help you step into a growing industry full of varied career paths. From zookeeper to conservationist, we'll help you turn your love for animals into real-world skills and meaningful work.

We're proud to offer the leading animal care provision in North Devon. You'll learn in our brand-new, purpose-built Animal Care Centre, with hands-on experience in exotic habitats, a fully equipped vet room, small mammal areas, aquatics and outdoor enclosures. Alongside practical training, you'll build knowledge in animal health, welfare, behaviour and handling.



Our students have gone on to become aquarists, animal centre managers, welfare officers and conservationists. Many progress to university-level study, including degrees in Animal Conservation. If you care about animals, we've got the education you need to make a difference.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A WILDLIFE  
REHABILITATOR IS

# £34,103

national survey

**I love the range of trip opportunities, like visits to Exmoor Zoo, and the chance to work with a wide variety of animals in the animal centre.**

*Grace, studying T Level Animal Care & Management*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Animal Welfare Officer
- Countryside Ranger
- Dog Trainer
- Marine Biologist
- Veterinary Nurse
- Zookeeper





## TECHNICAL DIPLOMA IN ANIMAL CARE

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're someone who loves caring for animals, this one-year Level 2 Animal Care course is the perfect starting point. You'll get hands-on with a wide range of animals while learning how to care for them properly, and gain the skills that employers and colleges are looking for.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Animal feeding, housing, and health
- Animal handling and behaviour
- Safety in animal-related workplaces
- A minimum of 75 hours of real work experience in an animal care setting
- You'll also build the key Maths, English and Digital skills that the industry values

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English

## ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone that wants to care for animals as a career, you will learn all you need to know with a T Level in Animal Care.

You can expect classroom learning, hands-on experience, and real-world industry placement during the two years. In your second year, you'll specialise in Animal Management and complete a minimum 315-hour industry placement, which will help you build your CV.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Animal health, behaviour and welfare
- Sustainability and biosecurity
- Ethics and supply chain management
- Business and enterprise skills

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be assessed through written work and practical assessments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English
- Grade 5/5 for GCSE Double Science Award



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# CONSTRUCTION



## BUILD YOUR FUTURE FROM THE GROUND UP.

At North Devon College, our Construction Department gives you the chance to learn trade skills, work with materials, and prepare for real industry careers. If you're driven by building, creating, designing, or managing, this is where your future starts.

From the first brick you lay to the final fix of a roof or the precision of a measured survey, you'll be training in industry-standard workshops that mirror live construction environments. With access to professional tools, modern machinery, sustainable technologies, and retrofit systems, you'll gain the practical strengths and technical understanding that today's employers demand.



Whether your ambition is Bricklaying, Carpentry, Plastering, Rendering Construction Multi Skills, Retro-Fit, Site Management, or Surveying, our hands-on programmes are built to take you step-by-step from foundation level to site-ready professional.

You'll also complete structured work experience and employer-led projects, helping you grow your CV, earn site awareness, and connect with the companies shaping North Devon's built environment.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A CARPENTER IS

# £47,760

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**I enjoy the practical aspect of the course, it's very enjoyable and you can earn a good wage in the construction industry.**

*Jaden, studying Diploma In Bricklaying*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Architect
- Bricklayer
- Construction Site Worker
- Facilities Worker
- Quantity Surveyor
- Structural Engineer





## DIPLOMA IN CONSTRUCTION SKILLS (TRADES)

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course allows learners to study a variety of different trade areas to develop hand skills, knowledge and confidence to prepare you for progression to the Level 2 Maintenance Operations, a Level 2 trade specific qualification or Apprenticeship of your choice.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Learn basic carpentry, plastering, bricklaying and decorating principles and develop hands on skills and techniques.
- Work in our well-equipped, modern workshops and resource centre
- Benefit from strong industry links, guest speakers, site visits and the potential for work experience
- Have weekly themed tutorials about relevant topics in mental health, national topics, construction news, progressions and support and wellbeing

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will have a combination of written and practical assessments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You must hold four GCSEs at grade 2 or equivalent (or above), including Maths and English.

## BRICKLAYING

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone that wants to build a solid career in construction, bricklaying is a good choice. This Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying is hands on, giving you the skills to build, repair, and shape structures – from walls and arches to houses and beyond.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Construction principles
- Building cavity and solid walls
- Setting out buildings
- Constructing arches and piers
- Includes structured work experience

#### ASSESSMENTS

To achieve the City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying, you must successfully complete both mandatory assessment components. They include a bricklaying theory exam, a bricklaying synoptic assignment, and employer involvement.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language at grade 4

## MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Working in construction also includes the maintaining of buildings. This qualification teaches you how to build and maintain projects in a variety of trade areas.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Learn basic roofing, plumbing, carpentry, plastering, block paving, drainage, bricklaying and decorating principles and develop hands on skills and techniques
- Work in our well-equipped, modern workshops and Learning Resource Centre (LRC)
- Develop your transferable skills in English and Maths
- Benefit from strong industry links, guest speakers, site visits and the potential for work experience
- Have weekly themed tutorials about relevant topics in mental health, national topics, construction news, progressions and support and wellbeing

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will have two multiple choice online exams in health and safety and principles of construction as well as written assessments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You will need one grade 4 or above in either GCSE English or Maths and a grade 2 in either GCSE English or Maths. You will be required to study GCSE English or Maths alongside your course if you don't yet have a grade 4 or above in one of those subjects.

## SITE CARPENTRY

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you love working with your hands, this Level 2 Carpentry Diploma could be a good option for you. From the theory behind modern construction to the practicalities and from structural frameworks to detailed finishing work, it's a good overall foundation. Learn in the classroom and through hands-on skill building and structured work placements.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Construction principles
- Structural and non-structural carpentry
- Timber technology
- Circular saw skills

#### ASSESSMENTS

To achieve the Level 2 Diploma in Site Carpentry you must successfully complete both mandatory assessment components which include theory exam, synoptic assignment and employer involvement.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language at grade 4

## DESIGN, SURVEYING AND PLANNING (ARCHITECTURE) T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Enter the fast-moving world of architecture and construction with a course that blends classroom learning with practical skills and an industry placement – giving you the experience employers are looking for.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Construction principles and technology
- Design, surveying and graphical detailing
- Health and safety, building regs and law
- Science, sustainability and business
- Tendering, estimating and construction maths

In your second year, you'll specialise in Surveying and Design for Construction and the Built Environment, plus complete a 315-hour industry placement to build real-world experience.

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will take a combination of exams, and written-based assignments and practical tasks as part of this qualification.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Those joining from a Level 2 Course will need a BTEC Level 2 Certificate or equivalent with a good merit profile, plus English and Maths GCSE at grade 4 or above



## BRICKLAYER – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

With this course you'll be outdoors and creating something real. As a paid Bricklaying Apprentice, you'll learn how to build everything from walls and arches to full houses and commercial buildings. Whether it's a new build, a renovation, or something more decorative – you'll get immediately stuck into real projects.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Laying bricks, blocks, and mortar
- Reading plans and setting out structures
- Working safely with tools, heights, and heavy materials
- Mixing materials
- Creating curved walls, arches, chimneys, and decorative brickwork
- Understanding building types, insulation, drainage, and sustainability
- Using modern methods like rapid-build and reinforced systems

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be required to undertake and end-point assessment which will include a knowledge test, a skills test, and oral questioning.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE English and Maths before your last assessment

## CARPENTRY AND JOINERY (SITE CARPENTRY) – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Fancy working with wood and building structures from the ground up? This apprenticeship gives you hands-on experience preparing and fixing building components, from new builds to repairs. You'll gain essential skills and knowledge, all while earning on the job.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Safe work practices and health and safety
- Using tools and materials effectively
- Working independently and as part of a team
- Installing and repairing doors, windows, roofs, and partitions
- Measuring, cutting, and finishing timber products
- Reading plans and working to commercial standards

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will take place both during and at the end of the apprenticeship, with completion being dependent on successful achievement of the qualification elements and the endorsement of the employer after a professional discussion, with the apprentice and training provider.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE English and Maths grade 4 before your last assessment

## CRAFT CARPENTRY AND JOINERY – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're hands-on, love building things, and want a career where no two days are the same, this Craft Carpentry and Joinery Apprenticeship is for you. You'll get stuck into real construction projects from the start – building anything from new homes to heritage renovations – and gain the skills the UK needs to build greener, smarter, and better places to live, learn and work.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Work safely and sustainably on building sites
- Read plans (including digital ones) and bring them to life
- Organise tools, materials and team members
- Master fire door systems, advanced cutting, splicing, and fitting techniques
- Lead on-site and make sure work meets top quality and legal standards
- Work closely with clients and the wider construction crew
- An eye for detail in checking your own and others' work

#### ASSESSMENTS

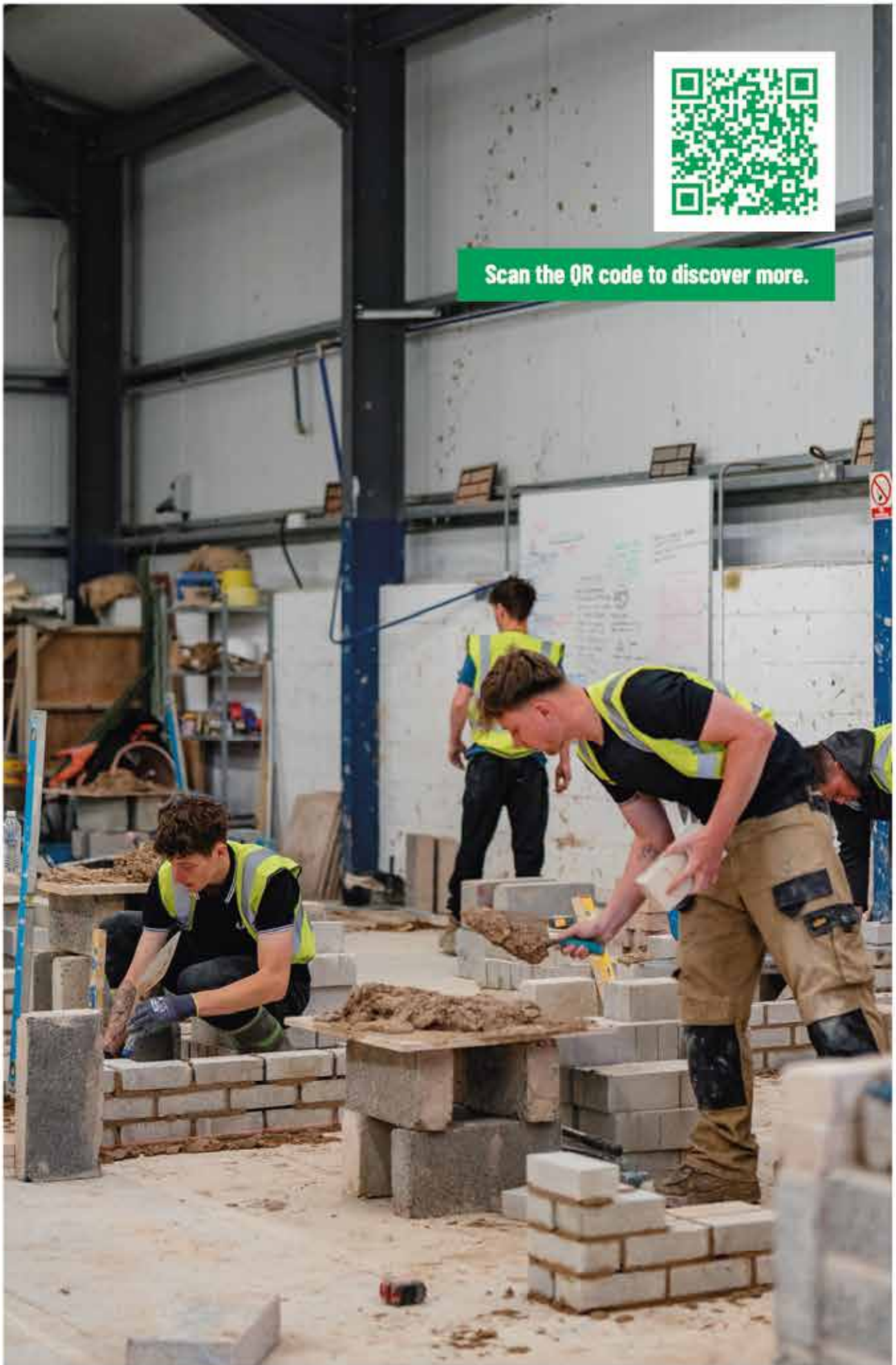
Assessments will consist of On-programme Assessment, Assessment Gateway and end-point assessment (knowledge assessment and practical assessment).

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Level 2 apprenticeship (or demonstrate the equivalent knowledge, skills and competency)
- GCSE English and Maths grade 4 before your last assessment



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# CREATIVE INDUSTRIES



## TAKE TO THE STAGE OR FIND YOUR PLACE BEHIND THE SCENES, WITH A CREATIVE COURSE.

Whether you're into acting, filmmaking, art & design, animation, photography, music, or media, we can help give you the skills, tools, and confidence to jump right in.

At North Devon College, you'll train as a creative professional from day one. Our industry-led courses offer hands-on experience, live projects and access to incredible resources, including specialist film studios, purpose-built art spaces and a large live performance theatre. You will also develop skills with specialist production equipment including mirrorless and cinema cameras, laser and vinyl cutters, 3D printers and LED production lights.



All of this is supported by high-spec graphic computing suites running industry-standard software such as the Adobe Creative Cloud suite. You'll collaborate with other creatives, explore your unique style, and build a showstopping portfolio or showreel along the way.

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# £54,982

[indeed.com](https://indeed.com)

**My class is amazing, everyone has a different style for example some people like photography, some people like illustration or tattoo art and some people like fashion like me! Its amazing how I got to try a little bit of everything.**

*Emily, studying Diploma in Art & Design*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Actor/Performer
- Choreographer
- Composer/Songwriter
- Digital Marketer
- Filmmaker
- Fashion Designer





## UAL DIPLOMA IN ART, DESIGN AND MEDIA

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone that loves drawing, photography, media, or design, this hands-on foundation course is your chance to experiment, create, and develop your skills across a range of creative disciplines. This course will help you find your style and build your portfolio for future study or a creative career.

Through practical workshops and industry-style projects, you'll gain technical skills, experiment with materials, and develop your visual communication and creative thinking.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Fine Art: Drawing, painting and mixed media
- Graphic Design: Digital and print-based techniques
- Photography: Capture and edit images
- Media Production: Video, animation and storytelling

#### ASSESSMENTS

There are no exams for this qualification. Instead, you will be assessed through your coursework submissions, and a grade will be given for your summative project (FMP) at the end of the year on results day.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UAL DIPLOMA IN PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you love acting, singing, dance, stagecraft or creative production, this hands-on Level 2 Performing and Production Arts course is the perfect next step. Designed as a practical and supportive pathway into the industry, this programme introduces you to the core skills needed to create live performance and build your confidence.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Acting techniques, voice work and movement
- Rehearsal processes and ensemble work
- Lighting, sound, costume, props and marketing
- Creative research and planning
- Producing and performing to a live audience

#### ASSESSMENTS

There is no requirement to sit an exam as part of this qualification. Your coursework will be assessed via a combination of both practical work and reflection on that work.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UAL DIPLOMA IN ART AND DESIGN

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

With this diploma you can really release your creativity, building essential and relevant creative skills for the industry as it is today. This includes experimenting with materials to bring your ideas to life and create a unique portfolio to take forwards.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Get creative in a variety of disciplines from drawing and painting to mixed media
- Master materials, techniques and processes
- Refine your artistic and communicative skills through personalised projects
- Discover the power of contextual research

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will be through a variety of methods which could include practical activities, written activities or externally assessed content.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UAL DIPLOMA IN CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Take your first steps into the exciting world of creative media with this one-year, hands-on course. You'll explore filmmaking, photography, graphic design, games design, animation and sound – learning by doing.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Plan, shoot and edit film projects
- Capture and edit photography in studio and on location
- Design graphics, posters and digital content
- Explore games and interactive media
- Experiment with animation
- Record and edit sound for media projects

This course is about building your skills and confidence – giving you a strong foundation and a portfolio to progress onto Level 3 or further study.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will be through a variety of methods which could include practical activities, written activities or externally assessed content.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA IN CREATIVE PRACTICE: ART, DESIGN AND COMMUNICATION

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Take your creativity into a professional career with this Extended Diploma in Art and Design. It's your chance to explore everything from painting and fashion to fine art, photography, and ceramics, and build a portfolio – all in a dedicated studio space.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Techniques to enhance your technical skills
- Master creative processes
- Develop your unique artistic style
- Work on live briefs and industry projects
- Explore specialist industries with the creative world
- Showcase your work at our yearly exhibition
- Take part in valuable work experience

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessed work will be graded Pass or Fail until the final major project, which will be graded as Pass, Merit, Distinction or Fail. The course is assessed through coursework portfolios. All assessed work is scheduled to strict deadlines over the course of the programme, failure to submit work on time can affect the overall grade awarded

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA IN CREATIVE PRACTICE: MEDIA

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you want to make films, take powerful photographs or design bold visuals, this two-year Creative Media course may be for you. It's built around what you create – from filmmaking and photography to graphic design, games design, animation and sound.

You'll explore a wide range of creative disciplines before developing your own style and choosing your specialism. Through practical workshops, project-based work, research and experimentation, you'll produce a range of media – building a strong portfolio ready for university or a creative career.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Plan, shoot and edit films – from short narratives to music videos
- Capture and edit photography in studio and on location
- Design graphics, posters, branding and digital content
- Develop games and interactive media projects
- Develop animations using both digital and stop motion techniques
- Record and design sound for media productions

#### ASSESSMENTS

There are no exams for this qualification. Instead, you will be assessed through your coursework submissions, and a grade will be given for your summative project (FMP) at the end of the year on results day.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language



## UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA IN MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is the chance to approach music with both creative expression and technical skill, developed through performance and production. This course focuses on real-world music-making, from live performance through to recording, production, and release. You will develop your abilities as a performer, producer, and creative practitioner, building a portfolio of work to take out into the world.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Rehearsing and preparing for live performance
- Writing, recording, and producing original music
- Recording studio techniques, including microphone use, tracking, and mixing
- Using production tools and techniques, including Logic Pro and Pro Tools
- Performing in front of an audience using our dedicated stage and performance space
- Live sound and lighting skills
- Critical listening, music theory, and analysis
- Releasing your music and managing your career, including promotion and content creation

#### ASSESSMENTS

There is no requirement to sit an exam as part of this qualification. Your coursework will be assessed via a combination of both practical work and written essays.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA IN PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Step into the spotlight with Performing Arts. If you love acting, dance, musical theatre, or production, our two-year Extended Diploma in Performing and Production Arts is your chance to develop your skills across all these areas. You'll learn through practical classes, live performances, and hands-on production work in our in-house theatre and local performance venues.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Voice
- Improvisation
- Dance
- Acting
- Audition techniques
- Production design and creation
- Run workshops with local primary schools

This course sets you up to go into the industry or continue your training at drama school or university.

#### ASSESSMENTS

There is no requirement to sit any written exams. You will be assessed on your practical work and written coursework.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UAL FOUNDATION DIPLOMA IN ART AND DESIGN

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're looking to forge a creative career and want to build a standout portfolio for university, this one-year UAL Foundation Diploma in Art and Design could be your next step.

It will allow you to formulate your ideas, sharpen your skills, and get you thinking like a true artist, ready for Higher Education and beyond. It's suitable for anyone over 18, who has finished a Level 3 course but wants to push their portfolio further.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Drawing and painting
- Fashion and textiles
- Illustration and graphics
- Photography
- Animation and printing
- 3D Design

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessments will be ongoing. There will be three formative assessments at approximately six-week intervals during the exploratory and pathway stages. The confirmatory stage (final major project) is formally internally and externally assessed for the final grade for the course (pass, merit or distinction).

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language



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# DIGITAL, BUSINESS & MANAGEMENT



## BUILD THE SKILLS TO LEAD, CREATE AND INNOVATE.

Whether you see yourself launching a business, developing the next big app, leading projects or building a career in the fast-moving digital world, our Digital, Business & Management courses will give you the skills, confidence and experience to make it happen.

At North Devon College, you'll explore how modern businesses and digital industries really work – from marketing, finance and management to coding, cybersecurity, digital design and data analytics. You'll take part in real projects, work placements and industry-focused activities that help you build practical experience, grow your confidence and strengthen your CV before you go out into the world.

Our courses are hands-on, future focused and taught by lecturers with real industry experience. Using industry-standard software, hardware and business tools, you'll develop valuable technical, creative and professional skills that employers and universities are looking for. You can also benefit from guest speakers, networking opportunities and collaborative projects designed to prepare you for university, apprenticeships or employment.



Whether your ambition is to become an entrepreneur, software developer, project manager, digital marketer or business leader, these courses will help you stand out in some of the world's fastest-growing industries. From business strategy to cyber security, branding to coding – your future starts here.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A CYBERSECURITY ANALYST IS

# £46,423

Indeed.com

**I enjoyed being included in the St Johns Project, where we were able to apply what we have learnt in our course and improve their services.**

*Anosh, studying Business Administration & Management*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Business Project Manager
- Computer Hardware Engineer
- Cyber Security Analyst
- Financial Analyst
- Games Developer
- Robotics Engineer





## **BTEC EXTENDED CERTIFICATE IN BUSINESS WITH EVENTS & MARKETING**

### **LEVEL 2**

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Enter the world of business with this one-year BTEC course, – perfect if you want to build real skills, try out different areas of business, and gain hands-on experience that sets you apart.

#### **WHAT YOU'LL STUDY**

- Enterprise in the business world
- Finance for business
- Principles of marketing
- Delivering and improving customer service
- Effective business communication
- Building successful business teams

#### **ASSESSMENTS**

Assessment for this programme is achieved in two ways. All of the above units are assessed through coursework and the completion of assignments, with the exception of Unit 2 – Finance for Business and Unit 9 – Principles of Marketing which are assessed in form of external examinations.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English

## **TECHNICAL DIPLOMA IN DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY**

### **LEVEL 2**

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

If you're into gadgets, coding, design or learning how the online world works, this Technical Diploma in Digital Technologies is your launchpad into a digital career.

This one-year course is built with top industry input, giving you hands-on skills, real work experience and the digital know-how employers are after.

Choose your own path with optional topics like programming, digital media, cyber security, database development and more.

#### **WHAT YOU'LL STUDY**

- Digital devices and systems
- Online world and digital safety
- Design, code and create
- Digital skills for the workplace
- Real-world work experience

#### **ASSESSMENTS**

Assessment will be through a variety of methods which could include practical activities, written activities or externally assessed content.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## **EXTENDED DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS**

### **LEVEL 3**

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course will give you all the key knowledge and skills you need to understand and succeed in the world of business. You'll develop practical skills by creating your own start-up business, planning marketing strategies, and mastering customer service.

#### **WHAT YOU'LL STUDY**

- Marketing
- Finance
- Customer service
- Events
- Apply your learning in real-world work experience

#### **ASSESSMENTS**

Assessments are a mixture of written exams and assignment assessments. This will include formal presentations and tasks that enable assessment of your understanding of the business environment.

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## DIGITAL SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Code your future with a T Level in Digital Production, Design and Development. This course mixes theory, real-world projects, and a 315-hour industry placement – so you're not just learning, you're doing. You'll build skills in coding, data, cyber security, digital environments, and more – everything today's tech industry is looking for.

In Year 2, you'll dive deeper with an occupational specialism in Design and Development – perfect for future developers, designers, or digital innovators.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Problem-solving and programming
- Data and digital environments
- Cyber security
- Tech legislation and emerging trends
- Business context and real-world applications

#### ASSESSMENTS

Units will be assessed through written work, practical assessments, presentations, portfolios and observations.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Learners progressing from a Level 2 will need a Diploma or T Level Foundation course with a good Merit profile, as well as grade 4 English Language and Maths

## MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION (BUSINESS SUPPORT) T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you want to start a career in business, this T Level will give you insight into the world of business – blending classroom learning, real projects and a 315-hour industry placement.

In Year 2, you'll specialise in business support, learning how modern businesses work and developing the skills top employers are looking for.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- How businesses operate and behave professionally
- People, finance and project management
- Quality, compliance and workplace policies
- How to stay organised, confident and professional in a fast-paced environment

#### ASSESSMENTS

The final grades are assessed via examination as well as written assessments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language



## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Support the smooth running of a business by helping with everyday administrative tasks. You'll work with different teams and may speak with customers or suppliers. Help keep things organised, accurate, and running efficiently as part of a team.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Communication methods: emails, meetings, phone and video calls, document creation and presentation skills
- Organisation: keep track of tasks by using calendars and prioritisation methods
- Teamwork: work well with others and support your team
- IT Skills: use common software to complete tasks including cloud services and understand appropriate security measures including data storage
- Professional Development: create a personal development plan, understand self-reflection and awareness of own learning style and participate in performance reviews, one-to-ones and workplace training

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will be through a variety of methods which could include practical activities, written activities or externally assessed content.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Every employer is different and therefore the entry requirements can vary. As a guide, you ideally need GCSE grade 4 in English and Maths and in some cases ICT.

## ASSISTANT ACCOUNTANT – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're good with numbers and love solving problems, this Assistant Accountant apprenticeship could be a good match. You'll dive into real financial work straight away, helping coordinate budgets, reports, and year-end accounts – all while earning a wage and working towards a respected Level 3 qualification.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Business finance and how companies manage money
- Double-entry bookkeeping, VAT returns, and financial reporting
- Management accounting to support key decisions
- Ethical standards and working professionally in finance
- Using accounting software and IT systems

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be required to undertake a synoptic end-test covering the knowledge and skills gained throughout the apprenticeship. You will also build a portfolio and have a reflective discussion which will comprise a range of evidence produced in the workplace to show that you have met the knowledge, skills and behaviours required.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You must be employed in the relevant industry
- Five GCSEs, including Maths and English Language at grade 4 or above
- Alternatively you can have achieved an appropriate/relevant Level 2 apprenticeship

## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR – ADVANCED APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This advanced apprenticeship can open doors to any industry. Whether you're into fashion, finance, healthcare or tech, business admin is at the core of everything. On this apprenticeship, you'll build real-world skills in organisation, communication, and problem-solving – all while getting paid and working with experienced professionals.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Using IT and managing documents
- Communicating clearly with colleagues and customers
- Planning and running projects
- Making smart decisions and staying organised
- Keeping everything running smoothly behind the scenes

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be required to undertake an end-point assessment which will consist of a knowledge test, a portfolio-based interview and a presentation.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Ideally GCSE grade 4-9 / C-A\* in English and Maths. If not, we'll help you achieve a GCSE English and Maths before taking your last assessment.



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# EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE



## INSPIRE LITTLE MINDS. START YOUR JOURNEY IN EARLY YEARS EDUCATION.

If you love working with children and want to make a difference in their early development, North Devon College is the perfect place to start. Whether you see yourself in a nursery, primary school, or supporting children with additional needs, our Education & Childcare courses give you the skills, confidence, and experience to thrive.

From child development and safeguarding to working with families and assessing progress, you'll build a strong foundation in both theory and practice, all guided by our expert lecturers with years of experience in the field.



After your course, you'll have many opportunities – from becoming a nursery nurse, early years educator, or teaching assistant to progressing into primary teaching, SEND education, or child nursing. If you want to go further, our childhood-related degree level courses will help you take that next step.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A CHILD PROTECTION PRACTITIONER IS

# £40,140

indeed.com

**I loved the wide range of resources, especially the interactive babies – they were great fun and very insightful.**

*Danni, studying T Level Early Years Education*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Childminder
- Early Years Play Leader
- Forest School Leader
- Nursery Manager
- Primary School Teacher
- Special Educational Needs Teacher





## CARING FOR CHILDREN

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Start your journey in education and early years on this Level 1 programme, designed for entry level childcare. You'll combine classroom learning with hands-on experience, gaining essential knowledge and skills to help you move onto further study or work in the field.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Key areas like child development
- Supporting play for babies
- Health and safety when working with young children

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment methods could be through a range of written-based assignments, examinations or practical-based assessments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## CERTIFICATE IN WORKING WITH CHILDREN IN EARLY YEARS AND PRIMARY SETTINGS

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you love working with children, this one-year Level 2 course could be your perfect starting point. You can expect to get stuck into real childcare scenarios, from play-based learning to looking after babies, all in our fully equipped training room with lifelike dolls and hands-on activities.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Child development
- How to create fun learning activities
- Keeping children safe and healthy

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment is coursework-based, meaning you will complete assignments rather than sit exams.

Practical Observations – demonstrating childcare skills in a real or simulated environment.

Written Assignments – covering child development, education, and care practices.

Portfolio of Evidence – compiling coursework and practical experiences.

Case Studies & Role Play Activities – applying your learning to real-world childcare scenarios.

You will also complete 120 hours of work experience and will have an observation and feedback from one of our work-based assessors.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## SUPPORT FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS (TA)

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is a great step into a rewarding career in education, helping to inspire young minds. You'll gain hands-on experience in real school and college settings while building the skills employers are looking for. You'll spend at least two days a week on placement, applying your knowledge in the real world.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Child development
- Safeguarding
- Supported learning and SEND
- Speech, language and transitions
- Health, behaviour and emotional support
- Literacy and numeracy support
- School systems and organisation

#### ASSESSMENTS

A college assessor will visit intermittently in order to plan, observe and assess progress in placement, and to check competence within the practice-based units. The course tutor will assess assignment work within the knowledge elements of the programme.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- For 18-year-olds and over

## EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE (EARLY YEARS) T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

With a T Level in Early Years Education you can be integral to shaping little lives. It's a hands-on course all about supporting children under five. You'll mix classroom learning with real experience in a childcare setting, achieving at least 750 hours of placement to build confidence and skills.

In your second year, you'll specialise as an Early Years Educator, gaining the tools to make a real impact from day one.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Child development and safeguarding
- Observation and assessment
- Working with parents, families and carers
- Theories of child development
- Multi-disciplinary team skills

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will undertake one exam and an employer-set project in the first year, and three assignments and practical observation in the second year. The assessment criteria for this course are rigorous and will ensure you have the skills to take the next steps into employment or higher-level study.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Learners progressing from a Level 2 will need a Diploma or Certificate with a good Merit profile, as well as grade 4 English Language and Maths.
- Enhanced DBS check with no disclosures

## EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE (TEACHING ASSISTANT) T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you want to make a real difference in the education of children, this course combines classroom learning with real experience in a school or education setting, including a minimum 315-hour placement over two years.

In your second year, you'll specialise in teaching – gaining practical skills and confidence to support learners of all ages.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Child development and supporting learning
- Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)
- Safeguarding, wellbeing and health and safety
- English as an Additional Language (EAL)

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will undertake one exam and an employer-set project in the first year, and practical observations and written assessments in the second year.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Learners progressing from a Level 2 will need a Diploma or Certificate with a good Merit profile, as well as grade 4 English Language and Maths.
- For Primary Teaching learners, you'll need GCSE Science at grade 4 or above
- Enhanced DBS check with no disclosures

## EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR – ADVANCED APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're caring, creative and want to make a difference in children's lives, the Early Years Educator Apprenticeship is the perfect start. You'll gain hands-on experience helping young children grow, learn and thrive in nurseries, pre-schools, schools or as a childminder, all while earning a nationally recognised qualification.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- How to support children's learning and development
- Planning activities that are fun, educational and inclusive
- Safeguarding and keeping children safe
- Health, safety and hygiene routines
- Communicating with families and working in a team
- Encouraging speech, play, creativity and social skills and more

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be required to produce a portfolio of evidence in relation to knowledge, skills and behaviours and matched to workplace competencies. This will accumulate in an end-point assessment once you have been on the programme for 18 months. End-point assessment will consist of a knowledge test and a portfolio based interview.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE English and Maths at grade 4 before taking your last assessment



# ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING



## A FUTURE WHERE EVERY DAY IS DIFFERENT.

If you like the sound of a career where no two days are the same and your skills are always needed, this could be a great route for you.

Electricians, plumbers, and gas engineers are at the core of the construction industry – highly skilled, highly respected, and always in demand. These trades power homes, heat communities, support businesses, and now lead the shift toward low-carbon, sustainable energy.

At North Devon College, you'll get hands-on, industry-focused training that prepares you for the real world from day one. Train in state-of-the-art workshops, fully kitted out with the latest equipment used across the modern construction and energy sectors – including our brand-new Heat Pump and Renewables Training Zone, purpose-built for the future of the industry.



Guided by experienced, trade-qualified lecturers, you'll gain the practical skills, technical insight and professional habits employers look for. Whether you're aiming for an apprenticeship, stepping straight into industry, or planning to run your own business, these one-year diplomas give you the perfect platform to start strong.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A HEATING ENGINEER IS

# £39,916

indeed.com

**The tutors and assessors are really easy to talk to and banter which makes you feel more confident to ask questions.**

*Charlie, studying Electrical Installation Level 3 Apprenticeship*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Building Services Engineer
- Electrician
- Heating and Ventilation Engineer
- Plumber
- Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Engineering
- Solar Panel Electrician





## DIPLOMA IN CONSTRUCTION SKILLS (BUILDING SERVICES, ELECTRICAL & PLUMBING)

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course allows learners to study a variety of different trade areas to develop hand skills, knowledge and confidence to prepare you for progression to the Level 2 Maintenance Operations, a Level 2 trade specific qualification or Apprenticeship of your choice.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Learn basic Plumbing, Electrical and Tiling knowledge and develop hands on skills and techniques.
- Work in our well-equipped, modern workshops and resource centre
- Benefit from strong industry links, guest speakers, site visits and the potential for work experience
- Have weekly themed tutorials about relevant topics in mental health, national topics, construction news, progressions and support and wellbeing

#### ASSESSMENTS:

You will have a combination of written and practical assessments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You must hold four GCSEs at grade 2 or equivalent (or above), including Maths and English.

## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're hands-on, love solving problems, and want a future as an electrician, this one-year Diploma in Electrical Installation is the perfect place to start.

Learn real skills that employers look for and set yourself up for an apprenticeship or straight into a job in the building services industry.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Get to grips with the key skills and knowledge needed to become a qualified Electrician
- Installing wiring systems and enclosures
- Electrical installations technology
- Scientific principles

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will be through a variety of methods which could include practical activities, written activities or externally assessed content.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## INSTALLATION ELECTRICIAN/ MAINTENANCE ELECTRICIAN – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

As an apprentice Electrician, you'll learn to install, maintain and repair electrical systems in homes, businesses and big industrial sites, working on real projects that power the world around you.

Two main paths:

- Installation Electricians handle the set-up, testing and maintenance of low voltage (under 1000v) systems and equipment
- Maintenance Electricians focus on keeping systems running smoothly, repairing faults and working with high-tech automation

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Fit and connect cables and wires safely and correctly
- Install and test wiring systems in buildings and environments
- Spot and fix electrical faults
- Understand key electrical principles and wiring regulations
- Organise workspaces and plan jobs

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be assessed by on-programme assessment and end-point assessment.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Determined by individual employer, but most require GCSE English and Maths

## PLUMBING

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### LEVEL 2

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#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Dive into a hands-on, high-demand career with our one-year Technical Certificate in Plumbing. This is a course that puts practical skills high on the agenda, with real-world experience through work placements.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Hot and cold-water systems
- Drainage
- Renewable technology
- The principles of construction

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will be through a variety of methods which could include practical activities, written activities or externally assessed content.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## PLUMBING AND DOMESTIC HEATING TECHNICIAN – APPRENTICESHIP

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### LEVEL 3

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#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you want to learn how to install, service and maintain everything from bathrooms to boilers in homes and on busy building sites, this apprenticeship might be for you.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Health and Safety
- Core plumbing systems
- Electrics and controls
- How physics and engineering power the systems you install
- Eco-friendly solutions and how to install them
- Safe systems for combustion, ventilation and flues
- Customer service and communication

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be required to undertake a knowledge test, skills test and professional discussion as part of the end-point assessment.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Working for a gas safe registered company
- Determined by individual employer, but most require GCSE English and Maths at Grade 4



# ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING



## BUILD YOUR FUTURE WITH CUTTING EDGE SKILLS.

North Devon College is a great launchpad for a career in engineering or manufacturing. Here, you'll develop hands-on skills in CAD, 3D printing, fabrication and welding, alongside manual machining. Our industry-standard facilities give you access to advanced electronics design, new technologies, and robotics, while our purpose-built workshops feature CNC machinery, inspection rooms, fabrication bays and VR welders.

Taught by professional engineers with real-world experience, our courses prepare you for a wide range of careers, from CAD technician and site engineer to aerospace engineering, or even for progressing to a higher-level engineering course right here at North Devon College.



Discover a future where your technical skills unlock endless opportunities in global industries – from pharmaceuticals to aeronautics and beyond. Your journey in engineering and manufacturing starts now.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A MECHANICAL ENGINEER IS

# £42,524

Source: Indeed Salary

**I was very interested in the manufacturing process so thought this would be a good course for me. And I was right, the work that we do is very stimulating and is very enjoyable.**

*Brook, studying Level 3 Engineering Manufacturing & Control T Level*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Aerospace Engineer
- CAD Technician
- Environmental Engineer
- Locksmith
- Nuclear Engineer
- Welder





## DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING OPERATIONS (KNOWLEDGE)

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Engineering operations is where technical knowledge meets day-to-day running of the industry. Whether you're aiming for a Level 3 T Level, an apprenticeship, or hands-on industry experience, this course will give you all three.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Engineering environments and safety
- Maths, science and business skills
- Lathe and milling machine operations
- Welding principles and CAD design
- Bench fitting and hands-on machining

Train in our Engineering Centre of Excellence, featuring state-of-the-art CAD facilities, 3D printing, CNC machining, welding workshops, and more.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment is ongoing and practical in nature, including:

- Practical workshop assessments
- Written assignments and project work
- Knowledge-based tasks and tests
- Observation of technical skill development

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## ENGINEERING OPERATIVE (FABRICATION) – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This hands-on apprenticeship is ideal for those looking to build a career in fabrication and engineering. As an Engineering Operative apprentice, you'll gain the essential skills needed to work safely and effectively in a fabrication environment.

Delivered through a mix of on-the-job training and classroom learning, this qualification provides a strong foundation in engineering principles, health and safety, and workplace communication.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Interpret technical drawings
- Operate hand and power tools,
- Use fabrication machinery
- Cutting, forming, and assembling metal components

#### ASSESSMENTS

Your end-point assessment will incorporate a project, multiple choice test and professional discussion.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## ENGINEERING FITTER – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If learning how things function and working hard suit you, it's worth exploring this Engineering Fitter apprenticeship, where you'll learn how to build, repair, and fine-tune complex mechanical systems. Whether you're into electrics, mechanics, or control systems, this apprenticeship gives you the skills to become a crucial part of any engineering team.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Materials, tools, and how to use them safely
- Key design, manufacturing and assembly principles
- Engineering maths, quality checks, and industry standards
- Health and safety, planning, and working efficiently
- Read and follow technical drawings
- Build, test and inspect components
- Communication and problem solving

#### ASSESSMENTS

Your end-point assessment will incorporate a project, multiple choice test and professional discussion.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## MACHINING TECHNICIAN – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For those who love to solve problems, work with high-tech machines and get hands on, a Machinist Apprenticeship might be the route for you. You'll work side-by-side with skilled engineers, learning how to shape metal and other materials into precision components used in everything from aerospace to motorsport.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

Year 1: Foundation Skills – three days a week learning:

- Milling, turning, bench fitting
- Engineering maths and science
- Business improvement techniques
- Hands-on skills in real workshop settings

Years 2-3: Specialist Knowledge – furthering your skills with:

- Advanced machining theory and techniques
- Complex component production using single and multi-axis CNC machines
- Work-holding, tooling, setting feeds/speeds and quality checking

#### ASSESSMENTS

You'll be assessed via a combination of end-point assessment and on-programme assessment.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is suitable for those with a sharp eye for detail and a head for how things work. As a Maintenance and Operations Engineering Technician Apprentice, you'll learn how to keep vital machinery and equipment running safely and efficiently.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Industry health and safety standards and environmental regulations
- Maintenance processes and procedures
- The engineering theory behind the tools and techniques you'll use every day
- How to spot and fix faults in machines, tools and systems
- Inspect, test and maintain equipment to meet operational standards
- Keep clear records and communicate what's been done to the relevant people

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be required to produce a portfolio of evidence in relation to knowledge, skills and behaviours and matched to workplace competencies. This will accumulate in an end-point assessment once you have been on the programme for 18 months. End-point assessment will consist of a knowledge test and a portfolio-based interview.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## METAL FABRICATOR APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Step into the world of engineering and construction with this Metal Fabricator Apprenticeship. Metal fabricators play a vital role in the advanced manufacturing and engineering construction industries, creating and assembling the steel structures and components that keep modern projects moving. From rolled steel joists and columns to steel plate and sheet metal, you'll develop the practical skills and technical knowledge needed to shape the future of engineering.

Through a combination of hands-on learning, industry knowledge, and real-world experience, you'll cover many key responsibilities.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Allowances for cutting, notching, bending, rolling and forming materials
- Pattern development processes, tooling and equipment
- Cutting and forming techniques, tooling and equipment
- Assembly and finishing processes, tooling and equipment
- Inspection techniques

#### ASSESSMENTS

You'll be assessed via a combination of end-point assessment and on-programme assessment.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including GCSE Maths and English Language.



## ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, PROCESSING AND CONTROL T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone that is interested in how things work, this T Level in Engineering and Manufacturing is a good place to start. This hands-on course blends classroom theory, practical skills, and a 315-hour industry placement to get you ready for the real world of engineering.

In your second year, you'll specialise in Machining and Toolmaking, mastering the tools and tech behind modern manufacturing.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Essential maths, science and mechanical principles
- Electronics, mechatronics and control systems
- Quality management and health and safety
- Stock, asset management and the evolution of engineering
- Professional behaviours and responsibilities

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will be through an exam, an employer set project and assignments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including grade 5 in Maths and English Language
- Learners progressing from a Level 2 course will need a BTEC Level 2 Certificate with a good Merit profile

**An apprenticeship seemed like the best option for me because I wanted to gain practical experience while continuing to learn. Looking back, it's been one of the best decisions I've made. The course is really well structured and provides a great balance between theory and practical learning. The training has been especially valuable, helping me build my skills and confidence. I've also learned a huge amount from the engineers I work alongside every day, as they're always willing to share their knowledge and experience. Being able to combine hands-on experience with classroom learning has really helped me grow both personally and professionally.**

*Lewis, studying a Maintenance & Operations Engineering Technician Apprenticeship*



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# HAIR AND BEAUTY



## FANCY A FUTURE IN THE HAIR AND BEAUTY INDUSTRY?

Whether you dream of creating award-winning styles for TV dramas, jet-setting on cruise ships, excelling as a celebrity makeup artist, or running your very own business, our hair and beauty courses at North Devon College will set you on the right path.

You'll learn through a mix of hands-on practical training and expert-led theory. Based in our stylish Lifestyle Centre, you'll gain real experience working on clients in our commercial salons, barbershop and beauty therapy rooms – all equipped to industry standards.



Alongside work placements with local businesses, you'll build the skills, confidence and know-how to shine in one of the UK's fastest-growing industries, with experienced tutors to guide you every step of the way.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A MAKEUP ARTIST IS

# £32,579

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**I've been able to build up a clientele and aslo been offered a job from my work experience placement!**

*Charlie, studying Level 2 Barbering*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Barber/Hairdresser
- Beauty Therapist
- Makeup Artist
- Massage Therapist
- Nail Technician
- Tattooist





## DIPLOMA IN HAIR AND BEAUTY (BEAUTY THERAPY)

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Build your confidence with this Diploma in Hair and Beauty. This is a hands-on course, where you'll learn the foundations of what you need to start your career.

You'll study wearing salon uniform for practical classes, practising on classmates first, before turning your skills to real clients.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Skincare, handcare, makeup and nail art
- Manicures and pedicures
- An introduction to the beauty industry
- How to present a professional image in the salon

#### ASSESSMENTS

The course is assessed with a combination of practical demonstration assignment, and /or multiple choice test for some qualifications.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## DIPLOMA IN HAIR AND BEAUTY (HAIRDRESSING)

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you've always loved working with hair, this diploma is a great first step into that professional world.

You'll build your confidence with hands-on practice and learn everything you need to help your future clients feel at their best.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Shampooing, conditioning, styling, finishing and plaiting
- Introduction to the hair industry
- How to present a professional image in the salon

#### ASSESSMENTS

Some units will be assessed through practical demonstrations and observations, while others will be evaluated through assignments and/or multiple-choice tests for certain qualifications. You will gain experience working and supporting in a commercial salon in an assisting role.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## BARBERING

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone who wants to learn more about the hair industry, this Technical Certificate in Barbering gives you real life experience, expert training, and a chance to work in a working barber shop while studying.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Health and safety in the salon
- Client care and consultations
- Shampooing and conditioning
- Men's hair and facial hair cutting and styling techniques
- Opportunities to compete in competitions
- Real work experience in a barber shop

#### ASSESSMENTS

Throughout the qualification, a range of theory and practical assessments will support your learning and test your knowledge and skills development.

Ongoing skills development will be tested by an end-of-course practical synoptic exam and a written paper, as well as working on clients to gain competency and confidence within this speciality field.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## DIPLOMA IN BEAUTY THERAPY

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Build a career in Beauty Therapy through hands-on training on this diploma. Learn key treatments, like facials, makeup application and many more.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Facials and skin analysis
- Manicures, pedicures and gel polish
- Hair removal techniques
- Lash and brow treatments
- Makeup application
- Anatomy, physiology and industry practices
- Develop skill to gain employment

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment will be through a variety of methods which include practical assessment sessions with clients as well as externally assessed written theory exams. You will need to demonstrate competency in delivering practical treatments as well as understanding the theory underpinning the treatments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## DIPLOMA IN WOMEN'S AND MEN'S HAIRDRESSING

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This diploma is for those with a creative spark who love to help others look their best. This hands-on hairdressing course is the perfect way to kick-start your career in the industry.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Cutting, colouring and perming women's hair
- Styling and dressing
- Health and safety
- Client care and consultations
- Shampoo and conditioning

#### ASSESSMENTS

Throughout the qualification, a range of theory and practical assessments will support your learning and test your knowledge and skills development. You will be taught by industry professional staff within our new modern commercial salons.

Ongoing assessment is by multiple-choice question tests that you complete online, as well as working on clients to gain competency and confidence within this speciality field.

Throughout the qualification, we will also be working on the development of your Employability Skills as well as your Maths and English.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## DIPLOMA IN BEAUTY AND SPA THERAPY

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone looking to boost their skills, job prospects, and earning potential in the beauty industry, this diploma will prepare you for an exciting future in the beauty and spa industry.

Learn specialist treatments like body massage, electrotherapy, spa therapies, and hot stone massage – working on real clients.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Body and facial electrotherapy
- Spa treatments and hot stone massage
- Body massage techniques
- Anatomy and physiology for beauty therapy
- Client care, communication and sales
- Health and safety in a salon setting

#### ASSESSMENTS

The course is assessed through a 2-hour 40-minute external theory examination and a 5 hour externally moderated practical examination on an unknown client. You will practise on each other before progressing to practising on clients ready for your final assessments.

Throughout the qualification we will also be working on the development of your Employability Skills as well as your Maths and English.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Completion of Level 2 in Beauty Therapy
- Experience of working in the industry (preferred)



## HAIRDRESSING PROFESSIONAL – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone that loves to explore personal style, this Hair Professional Apprenticeship is a great route into the fast-paced, creative world of hairdressing or barbering.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- How to give expert consultations
- Industry codes of ethics and professional standards
- Client care, communication and salon etiquette
- Safe use of tools, hygiene, and sustainable practices
- Time management and working under pressure
- How to make clients feel welcome and valued
- Advising on hair care and product choices

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment is by practical observation and a professional discussion.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Employers will set their own entry requirements to start this apprenticeship.

## ADVANCED AND CREATIVE HAIR PROFESSIONAL – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you love style and experimenting with hair, this advanced hair apprenticeship is your chance to step up, stand out, and turn your creativity into a career.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Design and create your own collection of fashion-forward hairstyles
- Use advanced cutting, colouring and styling techniques
- Carry out detailed consultations and personalise every client's look
- Stay on top of trends and promote your work across different platforms
- Work professionally, safely, and confidently – with total creative freedom

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be required to undertake an end-point assessment.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum of 3 days employed work in a salon
- Level 2 in Hairdressing



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# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

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## MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE'S LIVES.

Our Health and Social Care courses are designed for young people who want to make a positive impact, working in dynamic settings like hospitals, schools, care homes, and more. From midwifery to speech and language therapy, you'll learn the vital skills needed to excel in one of the nation's most rewarding and in-demand sectors.

Our programmes combine essential classroom theory with practical work placements, giving you hands-on experience in environments such as our local hospitals, SEN schools, hospices, and nursing homes.



You'll develop key skills in teamwork, communication, and research, preparing you to work effectively with clients, parents, and care professionals.

Taught by experienced lecturers, our courses ensure you're well-prepared to step into the workplace or progress to a degree-level programme. Join us at North Devon College and start your journey towards a fulfilling career that truly makes a difference.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A PARAMEDIC IS

# £41,053

The Indeed Salary

**I really enjoy the placement side of the course - it is really eye opening. I am doing my placement at North Devon Hospital and got to see so many different departments of the hospital. This has really expanded my thoughts for the future.**

*Millie, studying T Level Health.*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Adult Nurse
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapist
- Counsellor
- Health Worker
- Midwife
- Social Worker





## LEVEL 1

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're interested in a future in health, social care or early years education, this Level 1 Introductory Certificate is a brilliant first step. You'll gain experience in our simulation suite, build confidence, and start developing the essential skills employers and colleges look for.

## WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Growth and development
- Principles and values in care
- Health and safety
- Communication skills

## ASSESSMENTS

Assessment methods could be through a range of written-based assignments, examinations or practical-based assessments.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## LEVEL 2

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're caring, compassionate and want a career helping others, this Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care is a great place to start.

## WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Communication and building positive relationships
- Equality, diversity and inclusion
- Human lifespan development – physical, emotional, social and cognitive
- Safeguarding and protection

## ASSESSMENTS

Assessment for this qualification is through coursework; there are no exams. For each unit, you will have to complete assessment tasks over the course of the academic year. Assessment tasks include activities such as case studies, personal experience, written reports and essays, presentations and completion of workbooks.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## LEVEL 3

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone that wants to make a difference for others, this is your chance to gain a valuable qualification in this in-demand field. The course includes practical work experience, so you can apply your knowledge in real-life care settings.

## WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Human lifespan development
- Supporting individuals with additional needs
- Principles and values in care
- Health and safety
- Communication skills
- Dementia

## ASSESSMENTS

Assessment is a combination of internally assessed coursework and externally assessed units set by the awarding body (Pearson BTEC).

Written Assignments – exploring key topics in detail.

Presentations and Role Plays – developing confidence and professional behaviours.

Case Studies and Reports – applying knowledge to real-life scenarios.

Externally Set Exams and Controlled Assessments – in core areas such as anatomy and physiology.

Placement Feedback and Observation – assessing performance in a real-world care setting.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## HEALTH T LEVEL

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you want to make a real difference in the world, you could start your journey with a T Level in Health. This course blends classroom learning with hands-on experience in the health sector, including a minimum 315-hour placement to build your skills and confidence in real care settings.

In Year 2, you'll specialise in Adult Nursing, giving you a solid foundation for a career in a variety of healthcare settings.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Working in health and science
- Managing info and data in healthcare
- Infection prevention and control
- Health and wellbeing
- Good scientific and clinical practice

#### ASSESSMENTS

The final grades are assessed via examination as well as written assessments. You must also complete the minimum 45 day placement to succeed on the course.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Six GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Grade 5 or above in Science

## ADULT CARE WORKER – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

As an Adult Care Worker apprentice, you'll help people live safely and independently, by learning how to build care plans, and exploring hygiene and health.

#### YOU'LL LEARN HOW TO:

- Support people with everyday tasks like eating, mobility, personal care, and social activities
- Understand care plans and adapt to individual needs
- Spot and report changes in health and behaviour
- Communicate clearly and respectfully
- Keep people safe through safeguarding, hygiene, and health and safety
- Build positive relationships with individuals, families and care teams

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessments will include Assessment Gateway, on-programme Assessment and end-point assessment overview.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Level 2 English and Maths before the last assessment

## LEAD ADULT CARE WORKER – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Some careers really do change lives. As a Lead Adult Care Worker, you'll be there for people when they need it most – helping them stay independent, feel safe, and live with dignity.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Key knowledge and responsibilities
- Understand your role and the roles of others in care
- Create and adapt care plans as people's needs change
- Lead your team to meet standards and follow key regulations
- Know when to step in, act, and make the right decisions

#### ASSESSMENTS

Your end-point assessment will consist of a situational judgement test and a professional discussion

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Level 2 English and Maths before the last assessment



# HOSPITALITY AND CATERING



## TAKE YOUR FIRST STEP INTO HOSPITALITY.

If you're passionate about great food and high-quality service, our Hospitality & Catering courses are your recipe for success. From local eateries to global resorts, we'll help you get the skills and experience to make it happen.

You will train in our modern, commercial training kitchens and public restaurants, which will give you real-life experience of working in this exciting and fast-paced industry.



Our experienced lecturers will share their wealth of knowledge to develop your skills and support you through your studies and work experience.

Whether you see yourself as part of a busy catering team or a head chef, hotel manager, or event manager – at home or abroad – this multi-billion-pound industry is full of opportunities.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A SOUS CHEF IS

# £34,778

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**I've always wanted a career where everyday feels different. This course has helped me understand how a real kitchen operates and the different job roles included in that.**

*Hazel, studying Commis Chef Apprenticeship*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Baker
- Catering Manager
- Chef
- Commis Chef
- Hotel Manager
- Restaurant Manager





## DIPLOMA IN INTRODUCTION TO PROFESSIONAL COOKERY

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you live, work and breathe food, your culinary journey could start here with this hands-on course that's all about getting stuck in and learning real cooking skills in a professional kitchen.

Train in our Taw Restaurant kitchen using state-of-the-art equipment like combi ovens, ice-cream machines, induction stoves, and even a Thermomix.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Baking, roasting, grilling
- Stewing, braising and poaching
- All the essential chef skills you'll need in the industry

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessments are both practical and academic with SAT short answer tests. Vital practical skills will be practiced and developed before each assessment.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## DIPLOMA IN PROFESSIONAL COOKERY

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If being a professional chef sounds up your street, this hands-on Level 2 Diploma could be your route in.

Train in our state-of-the-art Lifestyle Centre and cook in the Taw Restaurant – serving real customers with beautiful views over Barnstaple.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Cook meat, fish, poultry, soups, sauces, pastries, desserts and more
- Master knife skills and perfect your plating
- Menu planning, nutrition, food safety and kitchen organisation
- Learn about sustainability and ethical sourcing

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment is a mix of practical tasks, written coursework, and online exams to ensure learners develop both knowledge and hands-on expertise.

Practical Observations – demonstrating cooking and food preparation skills.

Written Assignments & Workbooks – covering food safety, kitchen management, and menu planning.

Online or Paper-Based Exams – assessing knowledge of food safety and cooking techniques.

Final Practical Assessment – preparing and presenting a full-course meal to industry standards

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## DIPLOMA IN ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL COOKERY

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone who wants to be a chef, this is your gateway into the fast-paced world of restaurants, hotels, catering, or your own food business.

Train in our state-of-the-art Lifestyle Centre and Taw Restaurant, gaining real-world experience while cooking for customers with beautiful views over Barnstaple.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Food safety, hygiene and kitchen regulations
- Ingredient knowledge, nutrition and menu planning
- Knife skills, food prep and presentation techniques
- Cooking methods – roasting, grilling, sous vide and more
- Bread, pastry and dessert production

#### ASSESSMENTS

Practical Observations – demonstrating cooking and food preparation skills.

Written Assignments & Workbooks – covering food safety, kitchen management, and menu planning.

Online or Paper-Based Exams – assessing knowledge of food safety and cooking techniques.

Final Practical Assessment – preparing and presenting a full-course meal to industry standards

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language
- Level 2 in Hospitality and Catering (or equivalent)

## PROFESSIONAL CHEF - APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're passionate about food and want to learn the ropes in a fast-paced kitchen, this apprenticeship is for you. As a Professional Chef, you'll gain hands-on experience preparing dishes, learning the basics of cooking, and exploring different sections of the kitchen.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Learn the principles of food preparation and cooking, adapting dishes to meet special dietary, religious and allergenic requirements
- Develop techniques as a chef
- Recognise the impact of seasonality on the availability, quality, and price of ingredients
- Learn how technology can support food production organisations
- Working as part of a team in a busy kitchen environment

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will be assessed to the apprenticeship standard using four complementary assessment methods: an on-demand test, practical observation, culinary challenge observation and professional discussion.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Employers will set their own entry requirements





# INCLUSION, WORK AND INDEPENDENCE



Everyone's journey is different, and our Inclusion, Work and Independence programmes are designed to help you take your next step with confidence. Whether you're building everyday life skills, preparing for employment, or ready to gain real workplace experience, we'll support you to achieve your goals in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

Our programmes are tailored for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), providing personalised learning that develops confidence, independence and employability. Through practical activities, work experience, community projects and enriching opportunities, you'll gain the skills needed for adult life while working towards the outcomes that matter most: employment, independent living, community inclusion and good health.



From developing essential life and work skills, to becoming work-ready through Access to Employment, or progressing into a Supported Internship with an employer, there's a pathway to help you move forward. With dedicated support, experienced staff and real-world learning, we'll help you build the confidence, knowledge and experience to succeed at college, in your community and in the workplace.

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**I feel heard at college.  
The teachers are really  
understanding, I've made new  
friends, and I feel like I matter.**

*Mya, Inclusion, Work & Independence*

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work experience, community  
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opportunities, you'll gain the  
skills needed for adult life  
while working towards the  
outcomes that matter most.**





## INDEPENDENCE, EMPLOYMENT & EDUCATION ACADEMIES

### ENTRY LEVEL

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

The academies are tailored programmes to meet the educational and support needs of Pre-Entry and Entry Level learners. It covers the four outcomes that young people with disabilities have said are important to them: Employment, Independent Living, Community Inclusion and Good Health.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Nurturing the personal and day-to-day skills needed for living with increasing independence.
- Developing the relevant skills needed when getting ready for employment.
- Activities, workshops, educational visits and a residential trip.
- Work experience opportunities to develop skills for future employment and contributing to society.
- Opportunities to integrate with mainstream students when using the college facilities.
- Enrichment activities including sports, arts and crafts, performing arts and swimming.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Students work towards maths and english stepping stone qualifications.

All students will work on a portfolio evidencing their weekly progress towards their individual learning plan or qualification.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements, however you will have a one-to-one interview to discuss your personal learning needs. You will also be required to study English and Maths alongside this course at the appropriate level.

## PROGRESSION TO EMPLOYMENT

### ENTRY LEVEL

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Ready to get work ready? Jump into our Access to Employment course and build the skills that really matter – for jobs and life.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY:

- Employment Skills – Learn how to do well in interviews, write a CV that stands out, and understand what it's like to work in different jobs.
- Real Work Experience – Try out placements that match your interests and help you build real confidence.
- Community Projects – Work with others and grow your teamwork skills.
- Digital Know-How – Learn to use tech like a pro – from emails to online forms and everything in between.
- You'll learn in small groups with friendly staff, in a course built for young people with SEN, EHCPs, or extra learning needs – perfect if you're working at Entry Level 3 and aiming for more independence or work.

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will have the opportunity to work towards grade 4's in Maths and English if not already achieved. This will be done through formal exams. The Core qualification will be assessed by coursework. Assignment briefs will be set and you will work independently to complete the work, however, there is a supportive culture within the course and support is always on hand to assist all learners.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements, however you will have a one-to-one interview to discuss your personal learning needs. You will also be required to study English and Maths at an appropriate level to suit your ability.

## SUPPORTED INTERNSHIP

### ENTRY LEVEL

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Want to get into paid work after college? If you're 16 – 24, have an EHCP, and are ready to take that next big step into the world of work – a Supported Internship could be just what you need. You'll build confidence, learn new skills, and get real experience in a job that suits your goals, all with loads of support to help you succeed.

This course is all about learning by doing – you'll spend one day a week at North Devon College building your employability skills, and the rest gaining hands-on experience in a real workplace.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Real work experience in a business matched to your interests
- One-to-one job coaching and support with workplace adjustments
- Help with travel so you can get to work confidently and independently
- Up to 12 months of tailored support
- Support into paid work or further opportunities when the course ends.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Learners will have the opportunity to work towards grade 4's in Maths and English if not already achieved. This will be done through formal exams. The course itself will be recorded by a work placement log book which will be evaluated by the learner's mentor in the workplace and the job coach.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements, however you will have a one-to-one interview to discuss your personal learning needs. You will also be required to study English and Maths at an appropriate level to suit your ability.

## PROGRESSION TO FURTHER EDUCATION

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Not sure what to do next? This full-time course helps you boost your English and Maths (GCSE or Functional Skills – depending on your level), build confidence, and explore a range of vocational options to discover what suits you best.

You'll also develop your digital skills – from using Word and email to staying safe online – and learn in a supportive environment focused on helping you succeed.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- English and maths taught at your level with plenty of support
- Vocational tasters to try hands-on projects in different areas
- Digital skills to build confidence with everyday tech

#### IS THIS COURSE FOR YOU?

- You're working at Level 1
- You're aiming for a Level 2 course, apprenticeship or job
- You want to explore your options while building life and work skills

#### ASSESSMENTS

You will have the opportunity to work towards grade 4's in Maths and English if not already achieved. This will be done through formal exams. The Core qualification will be assessed by coursework. Assignment briefs will be set and you will work independently to complete the work, however, there is a supportive culture within the course and support is always on hand to assist all learners.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

No formal requirements, just a one-to-one interview to discuss your learning needs





# MOTOR VEHICLE



## JUMP START YOUR CAREER IN MECHANICS.

A great mechanic will always be in demand, so if you love cars and are fascinated by the inner workings of engines, suspension systems or chassis, one of our motor vehicle vocational courses could be right up your street.

Our fantastic training area replicates a modern vehicle repair centre with all the lifts and equipment you would find in a commercial garage. We also have our own electric car fleet, and our knowledgeable and passionate lecturers will help you develop your skills in everything from car maintenance to hybrid vehicle fault diagnosis.



Work experience placements will allow you to refine your knowledge in a real-world setting, honing your customer and client-facing abilities and getting to grips with what it takes to succeed in the motor sector.

If you want to open your own garage, work with an established car manufacturer or even move into the fast-paced world of motor sports or electric car design and development, we can set you on the right track to achieve your goals.

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THE AVERAGE SALARY FOR A VEHICLE TECHNICIAN IS

# £38,816

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**This apprenticeship has helped me gain hands on experience with vehicles. As well as grow my skills and confidence in the workplace and at college.**

*Dan, studying Motor Vehicle Service & Maintenance Technician Apprenticeship Standard Level 3*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Auto Body Repair Technician
- Car Sales Manager
- Mechanic
- Motorsport Technician
- MOT Tester
- Vehicle Inspector





## AUTOMOTIVE

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you love cars and want to learn everything about how they work, this Automotive Maintenance Certificate gives you hands-on experience in the motor vehicle industry. Gain essential skills, work with real tools, and explore everything from engines to braking systems.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- How engines and ignition systems work
- Using tools, equipment and consumables
- Steering, suspension and braking systems
- Wheels and tyres – maintenance and safety

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment methods could be through a range of written-based assignments, examinations or practical-based assessments

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## LIGHT VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Kickstart your career in vehicle maintenance. Our course in Light Vehicle Maintenance gives you hands-on experience and teaches you the essential systems that keep vehicles running smoothly.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Routine maintenance
- Engine cooling
- Fuel
- Ignition systems
- Health and safety
- Tools and materials

#### ASSESSMENTS

This course is assessed by both online tests and practical assessments. Each unit will have a number of practical skills tasks, which you will record in an electronic portfolio. Knowledge is assessed by mandatory online tests, which have either a 'pass' or 'fail' mark.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN (LIGHT VEHICLE) – APPRENTICESHIP

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For anyone that loves fixing cars, this 3-year Apprenticeship is your chance to turn that passion into a skilled career.

You'll get hands-on from day one, working with real cars, learning from real technicians, and using real diagnostic tech – all while getting paid to train.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- How car servicing and repair works – legally, safely, and ethically
- Vehicle systems: brakes, suspension, electrics, engines, emissions, hybrids and EVs
- How to spot, understand and fix faults – from common issues to complex diagnostics
- The rules around fitting upgrades and making modifications

#### ASSESSMENTS

On-programme assessment will include employers and North Devon College reviewing your progress via summative assessments at gateways 1 and 2. The gateway assessments at the end of each year will consist of knowledge exams, and practical skills assessments. You will also attend an end-point skills assessment during the end phase.

The course will include an air conditioning F-gas qualification, in line with the EU regulation that everyone involved in the service and maintenance of mobile air conditioning systems require certification. Functional Skills English and Maths L2 (or equivalent) must be undertaken before entry to the EPA phase.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language



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# PUBLIC SERVICES, SPORT AND OUTDOOR ADVENTURE





## MAKE YOUR PASSION YOUR PROFESSION

Whether you see yourself coaching a football team, leading outdoor expeditions, developing your own fitness brand, or training for a career in the emergency services, our Sport, Public Services and Outdoor Adventure courses are designed for ambitious individuals who want more from college than a classroom.

These exciting and challenging vocational courses combine practical experience with industry knowledge, helping you build the confidence, fitness, teamwork, and leadership skills needed for a successful future. From team sports, sport psychology and personal training to outdoor adventure, public services training and social media branding, you'll gain hands-on experience that prepares you for the real world.



You'll learn from passionate and inspirational lecturers while making use of top-class facilities and North Devon's stunning coastline and natural environments as unique teaching spaces. Through community projects, events, school outreach, and outdoor activities, you'll develop valuable practical skills alongside essential communication, resilience, and leadership skills.

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**The opportunities provided to me by the college helped me gain as many experiences as possible. I also really appreciated the lecturers, as they made me aware of the many career paths available to me.**

*George, studying National Extended Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services Level 3*

## FUTURE CAREERS

- Army Officer
- Coastguard
- Firefighter
- Outdoor Activity Instructor
- Paramedic
- Police Officer





## DIPLOMA IN SPORT

### LEVEL 1

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This programme delivers the Level 1 Introductory Diploma in Sport, providing a great introduction to the sports industry. You'll develop your knowledge through a combination of classroom-based theory and practical, hands-on learning, helping you build the skills and confidence needed for further study or a career in sport. On successful completion, you'll achieve a Level 1 Certificate in Sport.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Training for Fitness
- Healthy Lifestyle
- Assisting with a sports event

As well as your core and specialist modules, you will undertake a tutorial programme, gain support with developing your study skills, and the opportunity to improve your GCSE Maths and English grades.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment methods could be through a range of written-based assignments, examinations or practical-based assessments

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including Maths and English Language

## PREPARATION FOR (999) PUBLIC SERVICES

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're interested in a career in the public services sector – whether it's the police, fire service, paramedics, or armed forces – our Diploma in Preparation for Public Services provides a great foundation.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Public service skills
- Crime
- Health and fitness
- Teamwork
- Expedition skills
- Emergency incidents and response

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessments are all internal and will include reports, essays, presentations and practical assessments.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## UNIFORMED PROTECTIVE (999) SERVICES

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're up for a challenge and want a career that makes a real difference, this is your gateway into action with police, fire service, armed forces or rescue services being typical career routes.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Citizenship and diversity
- Behaviour, discipline and emergency incidents
- Global affairs and the media
- Physical prep and wellbeing
- Criminology and sociology
- Outdoor activity skills
- Teamwork, leadership and communication
- Government and the protective services

#### ASSESSMENTS

The assessment for the course is mostly by assignment, this can involve case studies, video, interviews, posters, presentations and the production of written work. Some assignments will be physical fitness tests which are a compulsory area of the programme in each of the two years. You will need to be able to complete fitness assessments and participate in fitness development programmes.

One subject in each year is assessed by external examination.

You can expect to complete around 15 coursework assignments per year.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language

## SPORT AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

For those who thrive in the outdoors, this Outdoor Adventure course is built for thrill-seekers who want more from college than a classroom.

From climbing cliffs and coasteering to mountain biking and kayaking, you'll be learning hands-on. If you're looking for a course that's active, exciting and career-focused, this is it.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Leadership and instructing
- Expedition planning
- Land and water-based skills
- Event organisation
- Environmental sustainability
- Health and safety

#### ASSESSMENTS

There are no exams but there will be lots of coursework to complete

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English. If you don't have grade 4 in Maths, you'll need to work towards a Level 2 qualification in this subject.

## SPORT

### LEVEL 2

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

You could turn sport into a career with this Level 2 Extended Certificate in Sport. Throughout your studies you'll get hands-on experience in fitness, leadership, and coaching, plus the chance to lead real sports sessions and develop skills that employers look for.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Fitness and anatomy
- Practical sports performance
- Coaching and leading activities
- Injury prevention
- Personal fitness training

#### ASSESSMENTS

Assessment is continuous during the course. Throughout the year, you will be given regular coursework assignments which combine practical assessment with typed assignments. Whilst the course is packed with practical activities and physical activity it is important that you can be motivated to complete coursework, and can work hard towards the theoretical aspects of the course.

There are at least two externally-assessed examination based units in this qualification, these are 'fitness for sport and exercise' and 'anatomy and physiology'.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including Maths and English Language

## SPORT

### LEVEL 3

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you're passionate about sport, this course is your chance to dive deep into the world of fitness, coaching, performance, and more.

#### WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

- Anatomy and physiology
- Fitness testing and programming
- Sports leadership and coaching
- Skill acquisition
- Officiating, rules and practical sport
- Research and development in sport

#### ASSESSMENTS

There are two externally-assessed units in year one, and a further two in year two; these will be formal assessments under exam conditions. All other units are assessed by coursework assignments and these are projects that are based on realistic workplace situations. You will be expected to produce a large number of these each year, so time management and organisation are important.

As part of these assignments you will be expected to complete practical coaching, attend interviews, give presentations, analyse sporting performance, design fitness training programmes, produce videos and edit audio. You will also need to produce and monitor training log books, exercise programmes and sports development strategies.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English Language



# STUDENT LIFE

Your college experience goes far beyond the classroom. It's about growing as a person, building confidence, and gaining the skills you need for life after college.

Alongside your studies, you'll take part in a wide range of opportunities designed to support your personal development, wellbeing and independence. This includes learning how to manage your money, build healthy relationships, stay safe, improve your CV and prepare for work and adult life.

You'll have the chance to try new experiences, meet new people, and discover what matters to you – whether that's through enrichment activities, sport, student voice, or personal development sessions.

We want to leave you with the confidence, resilience and life skills to succeed in whatever path you choose next.





# OPEN EVENTS

Join us at an Open Event and discover what North Devon College can offer you:

- Speak to our dedicated lecturers and get an insight into our courses, outstanding results, progression routes, and more.
- Experience our exceptional facilities, including our unique Animal Centre, commercial hair and beauty salons, and vehicle workshops.
- Immerse yourself in college life by visiting our study and relaxation spaces.
- Talk to our current students and hear what they have to say about their college experience.
- Discover our array of exciting enrichment opportunities when you're not studying including Academic and Sporting Academies, our own Students Union, and a fantastic array of clubs and activities, whatever your interests.
- Receive valuable assistance and information from our friendly College Advice Team on questions about your application, transport, finance, and learning support services. Our open events for this academic year will take place on the following dates:

**WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER**

**TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER**

**WEDNESDAY 3 MARCH**



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In some cases where there are insufficient enrolments, you may be offered the chance to pay a higher fee for the course to continue. Award and assessment fees are also subject to occasional changes by the Awarding Bodies. You will be contacted should the amount change prior to starting the courses you have enrolled on.

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